

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California 93407
ACADEMIC SENATE

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, October 15, 2002
UU220, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Preparatory: The meeting was opened at 3:14 p.m.

- I. Minutes: The minutes for the Executive Committee meeting of September 24, 2002 were approved without change.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): None.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Menon) Myron Hood is now back home after successful cardiac surgery and is recovering well. The Academic Senate has asked Reg Gooden to be the substitute Statewide Senator until Hood is able to resume his duties. The campus senate chairs met last week with a main agenda item being a workshop on the budget process with some examples of campus level activity from CSU Fresno and CSU Long Beach. Vice Chancellor Spence has urged us to limit the program reviews, to focus on key objectives, and to avoid the unnecessary “large bulky reports” that are sent to his office by many campuses. The process of electing a faculty trustee when Harold Goldwhite completes his term will be discussed as business item D.
 - B. President's Office: (Howard-Greene) President Baker’s convocation speech is being edited and will be an Outlook piece. On freedom of speech – an incident that occurred during a spring quarter career fair generated some confusion in regards to campus policy on free speech then came up to the Senate for action and prompted the creation of an ad hoc group. The ad hoc group was formed and met during the summer to look at the existing policy, which was created during the early 1980s by faculty, administrators, and staff who then created a new draft that is almost ready for circulation and comments. In general, the policy emphasizes that the University has a special responsibility to foster and sustain the free expression of values and ideas, to encourage and facilitate the free exchange of views, and to see the orderly operations of the educational process. The University will provide guidance for carrying out free expression on campus and will designate areas as “free speech areas” such as Dexter Lawn, UU Plaza. The policy will encourage the notification of those involved and use of scheduling protocol to avoid safety issues. The next step for the ad hoc group is to submit the policy to the CAP committee, publish it for more review by campus constituents, and then submit to the president for legal review and ultimate approval.
 - C. Provost Office: (Zingg) Cal Poly is over enrolled this year. The president feels strongly about rolling back the enrollment targets for next year and will be going forward with a reduced enrollment proposal for next year. There will be no golden handshake available to the CSU.
 - D. Statewide Senators: None.
 - E. CFA Campus President: None.
 - F. ASI Representative: (Schrupp) ASI is looking for volunteers to assist during the “Rock the Vote” event in which they have set a goal of getting 500 students to register to vote.
 - G. Other: None.
- IV. Consent Agenda: None.
- V. Business Items:
 - A. **Academic Senate committee vacancies for 2002-2004:** The following appointment was made:

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Committee

Faculty Awards Committee

Representative

Len Myers

- B. **Universitywide committee vacancies for 2002-2003:** No appointments were made
- C. **Selection of internal reviewers for Graphic Communication Department and Music Department accreditation/program review:** Goro Kato was elected as the Academic Senate nominee to replace George Lewis.
- D. **Nomination for Faculty Trustee 2003-2004:** There is a call for nominations to replace Harold Goldwhite who will not be returning after completing his current term. Successful nominees finally appointed by the Governor are typically those who are very active in Statewide Senate and well known with a tradition of CSU Statewide Senate Chairs succeeding to this role. At this time, we can put forward a campus nomination or support the Statewide Vice Chair Bob Cherny. The faculty trustee plays a very important role as the voice of the CSU-wide faculty constituency.

VI. Discussion Item (s):

- A. **Pre-tax parking fee payment.** Since Unit 3 is the only group without the opportunity to pay for parking as a pre-tax item, it is suggested that Cal Poly propose a resolution similar to the one approved by CSU San Bernardino urging for an agreement to allow Unit 3 to pay for parking as a pre-tax item. Provost Zingg suggested that instead of any resolution, a simple note from the Academic Senate Faculty Affairs Committee and CFA be sent to President Baker with this request. Forroohar agreed to submit the request.
- B. **Academic Senate's role in responding to President baker's call to action re student success, diversity, and civility.** After some discussion on the issues of student success, diversity, and civility it was decided to have all suggestions and recommendations from members of the Executive Committee be sent to Unny Menon with a follow up discussion on those submittals if any, at a later date.

VII. Adjournment: meeting was adjourned at 5 p.m.

Submitted by

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