

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

**MINUTES OF**  
**The Academic Senate Executive Committee**  
**Tuesday, February 18, 2003**  
**UU220, 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

Preparatory: The meeting was opened at 3:10 p.m.

- I. Minutes: The minutes for the Executive Committee meeting of January 28, 2003 were approved without change.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):
- III. Reports:
  - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Menon) The CSU Campus Senate Chairs met last Thursday and discussed the following issues: (a) All campuses support the statewide resolution objecting to increase of student-faculty-ratio from 18.9 to 19.9 in Governor's Budget proposal. (b) Discussion of Statewide Senate draft resolution on objections to Governor's student fee increase proposals is still in progress at most campuses. (c) Consultation between administrators and campus senates to sustain shared governance seems to be poor at many CSU campuses and non-existent at others. The specific concern is on budget and enrollment management decisions. (d) San Jose SU Chair indicated a high level of faculty dissatisfaction with the way in which assessment of learning outcomes in GE courses was conducted at San Jose SU and he distributed their report on this issue. I have sent a copy of this report to Doug Keesey, CP\_SLO\_GE\_Director. (e) Executive VC Richard West outlined the Governor's January Budget Proposal, which has varying levels of negative impact on the campuses, depending on whether they are able to absorb increases in FTES targets/enrollments. He anticipates a very slow final approval of the final "actual budget" by the legislature as late as November 2003. (f) Request from Statewide Senate to ALL CAMPUS SENATES from CSU Senate Chair Jackie Kegley, asking for our self-assessments as it applies here at CP\_SLO.
  - B. President's Office: (Howard-Greene) a copy of the electronic publication "The Cal Poly President's Update" was e-mailed out to all employees last Friday. This publication content and scope resides between the *Cal Poly Report* and *Outlook* and any feedback if appreciated.
  - C. Provost Office: (Zingg) the handout titled "2003-04 Reductions to the CSU Support Budget (\$326.1 million)" specifies categories that required cutting. There is \$121.6 million of one-time reduction that have now become permanent reductions to the budget. Cal Poly will experience a \$15 million budget reduction next year, which doesn't take into account any campus or system wide mitigation efforts. The Orfalea College of Business finished its accreditation process with excellent marks. A follow-up visit, by the accreditation team, will take place at a later date and will look at the mission statement of the college. The Tribune and the Mustang Daily have published articles and editorials about the Responsible Use Policy that has come under some questioning. There should be no ambiguity on the fact that the university "neither approves nor tolerates the personal viewing of sexually explicit materials by its campus users of state-supplied computer resources." The university policy focuses on: (1) Excessive use of state equipment for personal use, (2) Use of equipment to deal with images and words that have been determined to be illegal, i.e. child pornography, sexual material, (3) Images or words that upon viewing might create a hostile, harassing, or intimidation work environment.
  - D. Statewide Senators: (Hood) In discussions with Richard West on the 2003-04 Governor's budget, there is a proposed net decrease of about 10% in the CSU budget. When one looks at

the way the budget was presented by the Governor, most of the cuts are targeted cuts as opposed to unallocated cuts. Of all the cuts listed, at least two are very disruptive to the system, namely, the increase in student faculty ratio of 5% and the 20% cuts in student administration. Both of these seem contrary to objectives of the state and CSU to provide students with a quality education in a timely manner. The Faculty Affairs Committee of the Statewide Academic Senate looked for ways to write resolutions that would inform the public, the Governor and the State Legislature of the result of their budget cuts on the quality of education in the CSU (and in K-14 public education as well).

- D. CFA Campus President: (Feroohar) At a CFA meeting two weeks ago, there was a lot of concern about the budget that the Chancellor's Office is presenting. The budget is made to look as the best that we can get, especially when dealing with increasing the student/faculty ratio, unallocated budget cuts, and reductions to student services.
- E. ASI Representative: None.
- F. Other: None.

IV. Consent Agenda: None.

V. Business Items:

- A. **Universitywide committee vacancies for 2002-2003:** Pat McQuade, the COB representative to the Academic Senate Grants Review Committee has resigned due to a conflict of interest for serving on two grants review committees on campus. COB Caucus Chair, Zaf Iqbal, announced that Cyrus Ramezani from the area of finance, will be her replacement. Replacement was endorsed by acclamation.
- B. **Resolution on Completion of Senior Project:** Breitenbach, chair of Instruction Committee. This resolution is geared for faculty advocacy and provides them with practices to be adopted when advising senior project students. M/S/P to agendaize resolution with one modification specified by Hood.
- C. **Curriculum proposal for change of degree title from BS to BFA in Art and Design:** Hannings, chair of Curriculum Committee. This curriculum proposal changes the Bachelor of Science in Art and Design to a Bachelor of Fine Arts. This proposal is for a change of degree designation only. No curricular or programmatic changes will be needed or proposed. M/S/P to agendaize resolution.
- D. **Curriculum proposal for BS in Wine and Viticulture:** Hannings, chair of Curriculum Committee. This new degree provides students with the hands-on experience and understanding of all aspects of the wine industry. This degree also provides three multidisciplinary concentrations: Agribusiness, Food Science (Enology), and Fruit Science (Viticulture). M/S/P to agendaize resolution with an editorial change as requested by COB Caucus Chair.

VI. Discussion Item (s):

VII. Adjournment: meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

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