

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

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, April 20, 2004
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 meetings of March 30 and April 6, 2004 were approved.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): None.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Lewis) On Thursday, April 29, Bob Cherny, chair of the CSU Academic Senate, and Kathy Kaiser, Faculty Trustee will be visiting Cal Poly. An open forum has been scheduled for 11 am in 52-E27 followed by a no-host lunch for the Executive Committee members. Everyone is encouraged to attend the open forum. A resolution will be presented at the next Executive Meeting addressing athletic programs. The resolution will state that a 50% graduation rate should be required for athletic teams to participate in post-season competition.
 - B. President's Office: (Howard-Greene) the budget's May revise will still hold some uncertainties and a lingering \$2 billion gap for the 2004-2005 academic year. Options continue to be explored even though state tax revenues being reported are better than expected.
 - C. Provost Office: (Detweiler) (1) Update on administrative searches: COB Dean – search is on track to be completed by the end of Spring quarter. The pool of candidates is encouraging. Athletics Department – preliminary interviews are being scheduled from a good pool of 49 applicants. CLA Dean – an interim Dean will be appointed after considering suggestions from faculty and staff. A search for a new Dean for CLA will begin during Fall quarter. (2) Industrial Technology (IT) Department – and extensive review was performed by a study group after the request from IT to move from the College of Business to the College of Agriculture. The President and Provost considered this request and after review decided that it was not in the best interest of the University to move the IT program. The full report of the Provost's study group on the IT program is available at the Academic Senate Office. (3) Student Housing North – the US Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Services, has notified Cal Poly that the species of snail currently found at the building site is no longer on the endangered list.
 - D. Statewide Senators: (Feroohar) Statewide Senators will be meeting in 2 weeks. (Hood) An article in the San Jose Mercury-News mentions that San Jose State University voted to recommend the withdrawal from Division I-A and the Western Athletic Conference as a result of the severe cuts of state funding.
 - E. CFA Campus President: (Feroohar) The CFA Statewide Board of Directors and the CFA Assembly will meet this coming weekend. Campus wide elections for CFA officers will be held the first two weeks in May with all positions being open for election. The deadline to submit nominations is April 30.
 - F. ASI Representative: None.
 - G. Other: None

IV. Consent Agenda: None.

V. Business Items:

- A. **Resolution on the Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies:** (Hannings, Chair of the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee and Steve Parks, Dean of Continuing Education) the CLA Curriculum Committee, the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee, as well as the Faculty Advisory Committee have reviewed this proposal. This is a self-supporting program aimed to allow working people who have been out of college for some time and have completed all their General Education requirements. A copy of the full proposal is available by clicking on <http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen/news/BA%20InterStudies.pdf> M/S/P to agendize resolution.
- B. **Resolution on Cal Poly Modem Pool:** Greenwald, Academic Senator. The intent of the resolution is to convey the notion that many faculty and staff feel that having modem access is an important part of their job. The resolution proposes that the Academic Senate request the administration to seek a financial solution to the problem while ITS seeks to solve the technical part of the problem with the modem pool. Hanley mentioned that ITS has created a website specifically to address this issue and to ease the migration and litigation process. The site is available at <http://uss.calpoly.edu/> M/S/P to agendize resolution.
- C. **Academic Senate/universitywide committee vacancies 2004-2006:** Linda Vanasupa from Materials Engineering was appointment to the Distinguished Teaching Award Committee for the 2004-2006 term.
- D. **Appointment of Academic Senate committee chairs 2004-2005:** The following appointments were made:
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| Curriculum Committee | Sue Elrod, Bio Sci |
| Distinguished Teaching Award Comm. | Mike Geringer, Strat.& Int. Mgmt |
| Faculty Affairs Committee | Manzar Foroohar, History |
| Grants Review Committee | David Braun, Elec. Engr. |
| Library Committee | Barbara Mori, Soc. Sci |
| Student Grievance Board | Faysal Kolkailah, Aero Engr. |
| US Cultural Pluralism | Michael Lucas, Arch |
- E. **Appointment of Academic Senate caucus chairs 2004-2005:** The following appointments were made:
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| College of Agriculture | John Harris |
| College of Architecture & Environmental Design | Jonathan Reich |
| College of Business | John Dobson |
| College of Engineering | Jim Harris |
| Professional Consultative Services | Lynne Gamble |

VI. Discussion Item (s):

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

Submitted by,

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