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**MINUTES OF**  
**The Academic Senate**  
**Tuesday, April 29, 2008**  
**UU 220, 3:10 to 5:00 p.m.**

- I. Minutes: The minutes of April 15 were approved as presented.
- II. Communications and Announcements: none.
- III. Regular Reports:
  - A. Academic Senate Chair: Chair-Elect Soares reported on the Long Beach Academic Senate Chairs meeting where the main topics of discussion were the Collegiate Learning Assessment and the budget constraints.
  - B. President's Office: Howard-Greene announced the fourth Baker Forum, which will take place May 4, in the Spanos Theater at 4:30 pm. This event is open to the public and everyone is encouraged to attend. The keynote speaker, John Morgridge, Chairman Emeritus of the Board, Cisco Systems, Inc., will address the changing technology landscape and its implications for a polytechnic education. The budget deficit continues to grow and it is currently estimated to be \$20 billion.
  - C. Provost: Durgin reported that enrollment for fall quarter 2008 is on target with 3,631 freshmen and 721 transfer students with an average SAT score of 1267.
  - D. Vice President for Student Affairs: Morton announced that the university's red handprint program has unveiled a permanent installation, which provides the campus community with information on the issue of sexual assault and prevention.
  - E. Statewide Senate: none.
  - F. CFA Campus President: none.
  - G. ASI Representative: Guntermann reported that ASI elections are in full swing with three candidates for ASI President and over 50 candidates for Board of Directors. Many Cal Poly students participated in the California Higher Education Student Summit in Sacramento where the main issue discussed was restoring the budget.

Special Reports:

- A. Andrew Schaffner: chair of the Instruction Committee, reported on issues concerning course evaluation. Report is available at  
<http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen/Minutes/2007-2008/Course%20Evaluations.ppt>

IV. Consent Agenda: CHEM 101 was approved as a new course.

V. Business Item(s):

A. Resolution on New Masters of Sciences Degree in Polymers and Coatings Science (Curriculum Committee): Lynn Moody, member of the Curriculum Committee presented the resolution. M/S/P to adopt the resolution.

B. Resolution on WU Grade (Instruction Committee): Schaffner presented the resolution, which proposes that AS-449-95/IC Resolution on "U" Grades be repealed, that grading policies be disseminated quarterly to all faculty prior to grade entry, and that grade definitions be made easily available for reference during grade entry. This resolution will continue as a second reading item at the next Academic Senate meeting.

VI. Discussion Item(s):

A. Additional Bylaw changes for possible inclusion to the "Resolution on Changes to the *Bylaws of the Academic Senate*": Giberti discussed some of the issues that will be coming to the Senate for consideration. Many of the proposed changes are editorial in nature.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by

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