

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

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, October 14, 2008
01-409, 3:10–5:00 p.m.
Revised 11.05.08

- I. Minutes: The minutes of September 23, 2008 were approved as presented.
- II. Communications and Announcements: Curriculum Committee chair, Dave Hannings, announced the beginning of the curriculum review cycle.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: none.
 - B. President's Office: none.
 - C. Provost: Koob reported that his first charge as provost is to begin the strategic planning process on campus. Instead of creating yet another committee to address this, a WIKI will be set up with all the reports on strategic planning created by various groups and will allow everyone the opportunity to critique. It is urgent to understand what Cal Poly wants to achieve since we are facing a significant potential of mid-year budget reductions. In addition, we need to better manage student enrollment in order to give our students a change to graduate in an effective way and increase our graduation rate.
 - D. Statewide Senate: Senator Foroohar announced that the first meeting was held last week in Long Beach, where several resolutions were discussed including one on hiring practices during a budget crisis. Senator LoCascio serves on the Lower Division Transfer Practice (LDTP) Committee, which is discussing the lack of agreement between community colleges and the CSU.
 - E. CFA Campus President: Saenz announced that information regarding the PPI process has been distributed.
 - F. ASI Representative: none.
 - G. Caucus Chairs: none.
 - H. Other: none.
- IV. Consent Agenda: none.
- V. Business Items:
 - A. Academic Senate and University committee vacancies: The following were approved:

<u>College of Architecture and Environmental Design</u>	
Instruction Committee	Stephen Phillips, Architecture
 <u>Committee Chairs</u>	
Budget and Long Range Planning Committee	John Soares, Journalism
Instruction Committee	Stephen Phillips, Architecture

Research and Professional Development Committee
Sustainability Committee

Franz Kurfess, Computer Science
Kate Lancaster, Accounting

Accommodation Review Board
University Diversity Enhancement Council

Steve Kane, College of Education
Jeff Sklar, Statistics

- B. Approval of Shannon Stephens as senator for PCS (replaces Juliette Duke for the remainder of the 2008-2009 term): M/S/P to approve Shannon Stephens as PCS senator for 2008-2009.

- C. Approval of assigned time for committee chairs: The following were approved:

Academic Senate Chair	John Soares	22.5 WTUs
Academic Senate Vice Chair	Steve Rein	4 WTUs
Curriculum Committee	Dave Hannings	12 WTUs
Distinguished Scholarship Award Committee	Don Choi	4 WTUs
Distinguished Teaching Award Committee	Mike Geringer	4 WTUs
Faculty Affairs Committee	Manzar Foroohar	4 WTUs
Fairness Board	Craig Baltimore	3 WTUs
Grants Review Committee	Ken Griggs	4 WTUs
Instruction Committee	Stephen Phillips	4 WTUs
Research & Professional Development	Franz Kurfess	4 WTUs
Academic Council on International Programs	James Keese	4 WTUs

Assigned time for the Sustainability Committee was tabled.

- D. Resolution on Office of Sustainability (Sustainability Committee): Lancaster presented this resolution, which requests the establishment of an office of sustainability. Resolution was returned to committee for further clarification.
- E. Resolution on Funding for Sustainability (Sustainability Committee): Lancaster presented this resolution, which encourages the University to consider sustainability as a focus for the next capital campaign conducted by University Advancement. Resolution was returned to committee for further clarification.
- F. Review and approval of Distinguished Teaching Award Committee procedures (Distinguished Teaching Award Committee): Geringer requested that the current procedures be used this year while a new process is considered for next year. M/S/P to approve the process for 2008-2009 as presented.

VI. Discussion Items:

- A. Faculty Social Hour: James Harris requested that the social hour continue one more year while ways of improving the event are considered. The Academic Senate will continue to coordinate the event, but will “train” key people in each college for future events. M/S/P to endorse the continuation of social hour.

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Submitted by,

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Academic Senate