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MINUTES OF
The Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
Tuesday, April 28, 2009
38-114, 3:10 to 5:00 p.m.

- I. Minutes: The minutes for the April 7, 2009 meeting were approved as presented.
- II. Communications and Announcements: none.
- III. Regular Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: none.
 - B. President's Office: Howard-Greene reported that it is the administrations' priority to sustain the quality of our programs on our campus even during budget crises. The CSU funds every student equally which puts Cal Poly at a disadvantage due to its high cost programs, therefore fundraising and grants are a very important part of our budget.
 - C. Provost: none.
 - D. Statewide Senate: none.
 - E. CFA Campus President: none.
 - F. ASI Representative: none.
 - G. Caucus Chairs: Discussion on budget solutions and college-based fees:
 - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Science – Hannings suggested that we eliminate the Football, Basketball, and Baseball teams and divert some of the student fees designated for athletics to intramural sports and team sports. In addition, to divert state funds and Cal Poly Corporation support from Athletics to Academics, and ask the students if we can use part of their athletics fees to support the academic parts of the university.
 - College of Architecture and Environmental Design – Phillips reported that CAED is already under funded.
 - College of Business – Fisher reported the possibility of teaching summer courses using Elluminate. The caucus also urged standardizing and making open, public, and transparent university, college, and department budgets.
 - College of Engineering – Klich presented a memo from the CENG chairs and several other suggestions: directing all CSU fee increases directly to departments, suspending construction and borrowing from those funds, and a hiring freeze on state positions with exceptions made after consultation with the Academic Senate.
 - College of Liberal Arts – Fernflores reported that CLA is looking at ways of increasing the number of large section GE courses it offers while still allowing for good pedagogy and scholarship.
 - College of Science and Math – Shapiro reported that CSM discussed limiting the number of Fs or Ws are student can have.
 - Consultative Professional Services – Brown reported that PCS staff and programs have no direct access to student fees.

- H. Other: none.
- IV. Consent Agenda: none.
- V. Business Item(s):
- A. Resolution on Revision to Fairness Board Description and Procedures (Fairness Board): Shapiro presented this resolution, which allows the Board to dismiss a case if the grievant student fails to appear at the scheduling hearing. M/S/P to agendize.
 - B. Resolution on Making Excellence Inclusive at Cal Poly (Executive Committee): Soares presented this resolution, which making excellence inclusive be recognized as par of the Retention, Promotion, and Tenure evaluation. M/S/P to agendize.
 - C. Resolution on Archiving Senior Projects (Instruction Committee): Phillips presented this resolution, which request that departmental policies on archiving senior projects be made available in writing to all students and conform with Kennedy Library requirement and university policies regarding Intellectual Property Rights and FERPA. M/S/P to agendize.
 - (#) Resolution on Cal Poly Statement on Community (Executive Committee): Cornel Morton, Vice president for Student Affairs, presented this resolution, which asks the Academic Senate to endorse the Cal Poly Statement on Commitment to Community. M/S/P to agendize.
 - D. Resolution on Campus Administrative Policies Section 523 (Executive Committee): Foroohar presented this resolution, which requests that the Memorandum of Understanding between the CSU and Unit 3 Faculty, be the controlling terms and conditions to resolve ambiguity and govern conflicts in the application of section 523 in faculty personnel actions. M/S/P to agendize.
 - E. Resolution on Proposal to Establish CAFES Center for Sustainability (CAFES): Hunter Francis, Program Associate for the Sustainable Agriculture Resource Consortium (SARC), presented this resolution, which requests the establishment of CAFES Center for Sustainability as a replacement for SARC. M/S/P to agendize.
 - F. Approval of caucus-elected academic senators: Due to lack of time, this item was not addressed.
 - G. Receipt of caucus chair names for 2009-2010: Due to lack of time, this item was not addressed.
 - H. Appointments to Academic Senate committees for 2009-2010: Due to lack of time, this item was not addressed.
 - I. Appointment to University committees for 2009-2010: the following was approved:
Inclusive Excellence Council Jennifer Pedrotti, Psyc & Child Development
 - J. Recommendations to General Education committees for 2009-2010: Due to lack of time, this item was not addressed.
 - K. Election of nominees to the Post Promotion Increase Appeals Committee: the following were approved:
David Kann, English Department
Goro Kato, Mathematics Department

Brian Kennelly, Modern Languages Department
Virginia Walter, Horticulture and Crop Science Department

VI. Discussion Item(s):

- A. Topic for Senate's fall retreat 2009: Due to lack of time, this item was not addressed.
- B. Excusable reasons for missing class: Due to lack of time, this item was not addressed.
- C. Caucus discussion regarding the budget deficit: Due to lack of time, this item was not addressed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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