

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California 93407
ACADEMIC SENATE
805.756.1258

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate
Tuesday, October 6, 2009
UU 220, 3:10 to 5:00 p.m.

- I. Minutes: none.
- II. Communications and Announcements: none.
- III. Reports:
 - Regular Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair:
 - B. President's Office: none.
 - C. Provost: none.
 - D. Vice President for Student Affairs: Morton announced a new website, which informs and educates the campus community on the status of the H1N1 flu.
<http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/ehs/h1n1/>
 - E. Statewide Senate: Senator Foroohar announced that statewide Academic Senate met on September 10-11 and approved a resolution on CSU budget priorities for 2010-2011 and a resolution regarding the concern over the governor's delay in appointing a CSU faculty trustee. LoCascio reported on system wide concerns with remediation, graduation rates, seamless transfers, and the possibility of a 24th campus – CSUOnline.
 - F. CFA Campus President: Saenz announced that CFA is asking the chancellor's office to consider the feasibility of golden handshake for next year. CFA-sponsored bill SB 218 (Lee), that would bring the campus Foundations and Corporations under the umbrella of the Public Records Act increasing transparency and accountability, passed both houses of the Legislature with only one NO vote and is on the Governor's desk awaiting his signature, or veto. The Governor has threatened to veto all bills on his desk unless the Legislature completes work on a plan to fix California's water problems.
 - G. ASI Representative: Griggs reported that ASI has been engaged in student government orientations, Board of Directors workshop, and the formation of a lobbying group.
 - H. Committee Chair(s): none.
 - Special Reports: none.
- IV. Consent Agenda: none.

V. Business Item(s):

A. Resolution on Furlough Vote and Implementation Plan (Executive Committee): this resolution was tabled until 10.27.09.

B. Resolution on Furlough Implementation and Faculty Rights (Executive Committee): this resolution was tabled until 10.27.09.

VI. Discussion Item(s):

A. College-Based Fees: Provost Koob stated that Chancellor Reed and President Baker continue to discuss under what conditions additional academic fees might be levied at Cal Poly. The Chancellor's Office has not issued an ultimatum to the campus or any final decision regarding the proposed College Based Fee increase. As you know, students endorsed the increase in March. In April, Chancellor Reed asked President Baker to defer implementation. In light of the state's continued budget challenges, it will likely be awhile before this matter is resolved.

B. Academic Programs: Provost Koob discussed the need to scale down and shift responsibilities to maintain the best possible working conditions in these tough budget times. At this time, the following change are being discussed: move the catalog to the Office of the Registrar, Writing Skills will be moved to the College of Liberal Arts, Program Review and Assessment will go to Erling Smith, while General Education, Preface, and Honor's Program are under review.

C. Enrollment Management: Koob explained that by managing enrollment, including increasing student throughput and enrolling more out of state or international students, Cal Poly can minimize the effects of budget reductions. This will allow faculty members more time to work on scholarship and professional development and possibly protect our entire faculty, including lecturers, from layoffs.

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

Submitted by

Gladys Gregory
Academic Senate