

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

MINUTES OF THE
Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, August 13, 1996
UU 220, 3:00-5:00pm

Preparatory: The meeting was opened at 3:10pm.

Members and guests present: Bill Amspacher, Joe Biggs, Johanna Brown, Margaret Camuso, Harvey Greenwald, John Hampsey, Dan Howard-Greene, Hal Johnston, William Martinez, Anny Morrobel-Sosa, Mary Whiteford, Jim Zetzsche, Paul Zingg

- I. Minutes: The Executive Committee minutes of May 7, May 14, July 16, 1996, and the Academic Senate minutes of May 14, May 21, May 28, and May 30, 1996 were approved without correction.
- II. Communications and Announcements:
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair:
 - B. President's Office:
 - C. Provost's Office:
 - D. Statewide Senators:
 - E. CFA Campus President:
 - F. Staff Council Representative:
 - G. ASI Representative:
 - H. IACC representative:
 - I. Athletics Governing Board representative: J Brown announced there would be a meeting to discuss Cal Poly's athletic fields on September 5 from 10-12 noon at City Hall.
 - J. Other:
- IV. Consent Agenda:
- V. Business Items:
 - A.
 1. **Academic Senate committee vacancies:** Lois Dirkes (PCS) was appointed to the Faculty Affairs Committee.
 2. **University-wide committee vacancies:** Howard Drucker and Harvey Greenwald were appointed to the Disabled Students Advisory Committee.
 3. **Selection committee for Associate Vice President for Academic Resources (Vice Provost for Institutional Planning):** Greenwald felt the change in responsibilities of this office was fitting and the person favored for the position was well-qualified. However, the title change to "Vice Provost" was not agreeable because (1) the duties of the other Vice Provost [of Information Systems] were greater in scope, (2) this was a staff position and not an administrative position, and (3) there has been a notable increase in the size, titles, and salaries of administration's positions while faculty and staff have had decreases in size and salary.

Zingg replied that the title of Vice Provost for this position was appropriate because (1) it conformed the administrative structure of Academic Affairs to others in the CSU system, (2) the duties of this position were those of a chief academic officer (3) the title reflects the importance of the position to the Vice Provost for Information

Technology and connects these two positions in terms of strategic planning and budget planning.

Hampsey expressed concern that the emphasis on "planning" seemed to be overshadowing the "academic" focus of administrative positions. Zingg responded that due to the former use of formulas in administering academic matters, not much planning had been done. The present thinking has been to correct this oversight in identifying planning as a priority of the institution.

Amspacher felt it would be unfortunate to proceed with this matter and not have the full support of faculty because the change was made during summer quarter when most faculty would be unaware that this was being considered. He encouraged the Executive Committee to wait until faculty returned for fall quarter before making a final decision.

(Hampsey/Martinez) Motion M/S/P unanimously to delay forwarding a nomination to the search committee for this position until fall quarter when wider faculty discussion can occur.

4. **Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee:** Irene Hoffman was elected as the third Academic Senate representative to the Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee. The other two representatives are Harvey Greenwald and John Hampsey.

VI. Discussion Items:

- A. **1998 curriculum cycle:** Whiteford informed the committee that the four-unit issue needed to be resolved as soon as possible in preparation for the next catalog cycle.
- B. **Faculty computer workstations:** There is a strong possibility that all faculty will be furnished with computer workstations during this next academic year.
- C. **Fall Enrollment:** This item will be discussed at a future Executive Committee meeting during fall quarter.
- D. **Proposition 209:** The Chair brought this matter to the Executive Committee because a response to the statewide Academic Senate was needed prior to fall quarter. An unsuccessful motion was made asking the Executive Committee to decline addressing this issue. A second motion was M/S/P (Hampsey/Martinez) as follows: In light of this resolution coming from the Intersegmental Committee of Academic Senates (ICAS), the Executive Committee endorses the ICAS resolution so that agency can take action on it now.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION RESOLUTION:


WHEREAS, ICAS is committed to student transfer, and
WHEREAS, programs aimed at recruitment, retention and
transfer of students historically underrepresented in higher
education have a positive impact on student transfer, and
WHEREAS, there is current legislation aimed at the legality
of such effort,

RESOLVE: that the Intersegmental Committee of
Academic Senates strongly opposes the concepts included in
the anti-Affirmative Action legislation and initiative and
reaffirms its commitment to Affirmative Action in the
recruitment, transfer and support of those historically
underrepresented in higher education.

- E. **Utilidor:** A presentation of the Utilidor project was given to the Executive Committee. Many presentations and venues will be used to inform the campus community and general public of this project. The primary reasons the Utilidor is being installed include: saving the failing campus infrastructure, improving reliability of utility services, saving energy and resources, and improving serviceability of utility systems. A master calendar for its construction is available.
- F. **Campus facilities (faculty offices):** An inventory of faculty offices and administrative space is presently underway. When this inventory has been completed, Robert Kitamura will be invited to share the findings with the Executive Committee.

VII. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm.

Submitted by:



Margaret Camuso
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