

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

MINUTES OF THE
Academic Senate Executive Committee
Thursday, April 17, 1997
UU 219, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Preparatory: The meeting was opened at 3:10 p.m.

Members and Guests present: Bill Amspacher, Les Bowker, Johanna Brown, Margaret Camuso, Kevin Clark, Alison Cone, Leslie Cooper, Reg Gooden, Harvey Greenwald, Tom Hale, Tim Kersten, Robert Lang, Sam Lutrin, John McCutcheon, Anny Morrobel-Sosa, Guy Welch

- I. Minutes: none
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: no report
 - B. President's Office: no report
 - C. Provost's Office: no report
 - D. Statewide Senators: no report
 - E. CFA Campus President: no report
 - F. Staff Council representative: no report
 - G. ASI representative: no report
 - H. IACC representative: Bowker reported that the award for faculty workstations proposal will be in today. Macintosh won't commit to an absolute delivery date. Delivery will occur in lots of 100. 600 machines have been ordered, and should start arriving in 2 to 3 weeks. Gooden asked what to do with the old computers. Bowker replied that it will be up to each department to decide. IACC is also undergoing a revision of committee membership.
 - I. Athletics Governing Board representative: Brown reported that budget was discussed. Scholarships accounted for a lot of the new recruiting dollars, not general fund dollars. Certification will take place starting in December. The Board is also working on revising the Policy Manual. Ozzie Smith may or may not be associated with the new Sports Complex, because of personal issues. The new Head Football Coach was discussed, with some concern voiced over his lack of collegiate experience. However, it was felt that he will have an advantage in recruiting because of his success rate in Atascadero. The Head Female Basketball Coach is being asked to step down as Head Coach, even though she still has 1 year left on her contract. Morrobel-Sosa questioned if scholarships were gender-based. Greenwald clarified how numbers of scholarships were decided. Morrobel-Sosa expressed concern in light of Proposition 209.
 - J. Other:

K. **John McCutcheon: report on Athletics**

McCutcheon gave general overview on status of athletics. Greenwald questioned if new coaches would be given advice on how to select and/or recruit athletes who will have a chance for success at Cal Poly. Greenwald also asked if McCutcheon was satisfied with the level of financial support for athletic scholarships. McCutcheon responded that he will never be satisfied because there is always room for more support. Kersten questioned if the number of students on academic probation seemed high. McCutcheon indicated that athletes were within a few percentage points of the general student population. Morrobel-Sosa commented that 10-25% was the range of students on academic probation, and that the numbers varied by major. Amspacher suggested that mid-quarter grade evaluations would be helpful. Greenwald was concerned that women generally graduate faster than men. McCutcheon commented that this was also true of the general student population. Morrobel-Sosa suggested that the student's major be listed next to his/her name on game programs, in addition to the other statistics on the athlete.

Cal Poly has given the city of San Luis Obispo a deadline to make a decision on whether they will join in support of the new Sports Complex. The decision must be made soon, so as not to delay the project.

Gooden asked if the coaches are evaluated. McCutcheon reported that evaluations are done by the Athletics Director and through exit interviews by graduating seniors. McCutcheon indicated the importance of the input from athletes who have exhausted their eligibility.

Clark explained his role on the Athletics Governing Board. He feels that he is the one to ask the tough questions on ethics, academics, and victories. Brown indicated that they ask tough questions on the certification review. Greenwald reported that one of the biggest issues for students is the basketball ticket issue. Greenwald asked about the timeline for the new Sports Complex, and if the Biological Science Department's concerns had been addressed. Clark indicated that Groundbreaking would occur in the Fall, with an 18-month construction time. Biological Science's concerns are still being worked on. Amspacher suggested that McCutcheon speak out in public about clarification of the issue of how funding for the Sports Complex is coming in.

IV. Consent Agenda:

V. Business Item(s):

- A. **Resolution to Approve Policy and Review Procedures for Discontinuance of an Academic Program, AS-459-96/LRPC:** Executive Committee approval of revisions made to this document by the Budget Committee in response to President Baker's conditional approval of this resolution.

Greenwald clarified changes on document. Gooden asked if the Long-Range Planning Committee has reviewed this. Greenwald reported that Phil Fanchon currently serves on the Budget and Long-Range Planning Committee and was also on the Long-Range Planning Committee that originally developed the proposed policy. Kersten asked if this

could become a consent item. There was concern about bringing it back to the full Senate for discussion. Consensus of the group was to put the item on the agenda as a consent item.

B. Provost's recommendations for GEB Director and committee membership.

Zingg has selected person for GEB Director. However, he did not want to divulge the name until all of the other candidates have been met with. The announcement should come out tomorrow.

VI. Discussion Item(s):

A. Cornerstones Project

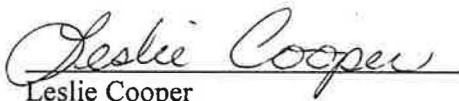
Greenwald gave background and overview of the project. The website for this project is <http://www.fmdc.calpoly.edu/cornerstones>. Kersten reported on issues facing the task force looking at the economic issues. Hale was concerned that the input developed at the Monterey conference should be included in the final document.

B. Committee Vacancy: Cal Poly Plan Proposal Review Committee

Greenwald explained that there would be two levels of review. The first committee would evaluate the proposals at the college level. The second committee would evaluate multi-disciplinary proposals, and would consist of 2 academic deans, 2 students, 1 faculty member selected by the Academic Senate, 1 staff member selected by the Staff Council, and several administrators. Sam Lutrin (Student Academic Services) and Marianne Wolf (Agribusiness) have volunteered to serve. Hand vote was taken (5/4), with selection of Marianne Wolf to serve on the Cal Poly Plan Proposal Review Committee.

VII. Adjournment: M/S/P to adjourn at 4:40 p.m.

Submitted by:


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