

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

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate
Tuesday, November 18, 1997
UU220, 3:00-5:00pm

Preparatory: the meeting was opened at 3:12pm.

- I. Minutes: The minutes of the October 28, 1997 meeting of the Academic Senate was approved without change.
- II. Communications and Announcements:
There will be an additional meeting of the Academic Senate on December 2, 1997.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair:
 - B. President's Office:
 - C. Provost's Office: The PSSI process is now in the hands of the deans and department chairs/heads. 95% of the funds will go to the college units for allocation. The President will retain 5% for appeals.
 - D. Statewide Senators:
 - E. CFA Campus President: A move is being made by CFA to get the Chancellor to fund more than a 4% raise for faculty.
 - F. Staff Council Representative:
 - G. ASI Representative:
 - H. IACC Representative:
 - I. Athletics Governing Board Representative:
 - J. Other:
- IV. Consent Agenda:
Resolution on Enrollment: passed by consensus.
- V. Business Items:
 - A. **Resolution on Sports Complex:** second reading: (Zingg) 50% of Cal Poly's outdoor recreational space has been removed in the past several years due to construction of academic facilities. The site under present consideration has been the proposed site for the past several years. The major source of funds will come from applying revenues from the existing student fee structure towards this project. Outside funds will be derived from private gifts and \$380,000 of internal funds (facilities budget) will be used to relocate the sheep unit.

(Marx) The value of existing natural resources is presently endangered by the Sports Complex configuration of space. Both local and migrating birds presently rely upon the existing wetlands, and the area is presently used as a teaching facility. (Zingg) The Biology Department is making an effort to mitigate any negative effects the complex may have in this respect. Its report indicates how mitigation can be obtained with the present configuration.

(Clay) One of my classes in Landscape Architecture did a detailed analysis of this area. Its findings indicate the overall design of the park is weak. Much of the land is systematically wet. There are pest and vehicle circulation safety issues that haven't been

reviewed. The location of the fields on the plan requires excessive grading, and the odor of the swine unit will linger in the area. (Dubink) Additionally, the handicapped parking is located at the top of the hill which may not be practical, and off-site mitigations, as discussed earlier, are not normally done and may even be illegal.

(Kransdorf) The language in the preliminary report does not compel the university to carry out its recommendations. I would like to see, in writing, a firm commitment that the recommendations will be carried out.

(McCutcheon) There presently are not adequate athletic facilities for the campus. The practice fields on campus are painfully small and although the capacity of the proposed fields is the same as Sinsheimer, we do not have free usage of Sinsheimer. (Zingg) As a quality of life issue, the university has the same commitment to athletics as it does to academics. (Spangler) It was the opinion of the students that they wanted the Sports Complex. It's felt this is a good move towards a balanced campus.

M/S/P that the following changes be made to the three Resolved clauses:

RESOLVED: that the Academic Senate demand that the Administration instruct the designers of the Sports Complex to shift the location of the softball stadium and to either ~~reduce~~, eliminate or move the parking lot and access road so as to provide at least 100 yards buffer from Smith and Shephard reservoirs; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate commend the biology Advisory Committee for their preliminary report and that the University commit itself to ~~following all of the Committee's recommendations for mitigating past, present and future environmental damage resulting from University activities the building of the Sports Complex;~~ and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ~~Biology Advisory Committee~~ University administration, in conjunction with the Academic Senate, appoint a university committee to monitor the progress of the environmental mitigations ~~they recommend~~ and issue periodic reports to the Academic Senate and Cal Poly community.

M/S/P to eliminate the following Whereas clause:

~~WHEREAS, Neither parking lot nor access road are necessary for the utilization of the sports complex facilities; and~~

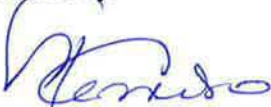
M/S/P (Martinez/Labhard) to call the question.

M/S/P (34-7-5) to adopt the resolution with the changes noted above.

VI. Discussion Item(s):

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm.

Submitted by:



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