

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93407

**Minutes of the ACADEMIC SENATE**  
**Tuesday, October 4, 1994**  
**UU 220 3:00 PM to 5:00 pm**

Preparatory: The meeting opened at 3:12 pm.

I. Minutes: none

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):

- A. The Executive Committee will be electing an academic senator as the Senate representative to the Program Review and Improvement Committee for 1994-1995. The representative must be a tenured, full professor and an academic senator.
- B. The "Report to the CSU: Findings from Opinion Research" is on file in the Senate office.
- C. The Academic Senate Calendar has been set, but the Chair notes that there may be a need to add extra meetings.
- D. President Baker's response to AS-415-94/PPC Resolution on Vote of No Confidence will be sent to the Personnel Policies Committee for review and further work with the goal of returning it to the Senate during Winter Quarter.
- E. President Baker's response to AS-421-94/EX, Resolution on Calendar. This response basically lays out a series of questions to be addressed when considering change in the academic calendar (i.e. quarter, early semester, etc.)
- F. Announcement for Outstanding Freshman Advocate.  
MSPU to place on the agenda a Resolution proposed by the College of Science and Mathematics.
- G. Announcement for International Programs Resident Director Assignments for 1996-97 and 1997-98.

III. Reports:

- A. A motion was passed by the Academic Senate Executive Committee that with the receipt of the Curriculum and Calendar Task Force report, the Senate could now begin its deliberations of Calendar issues. All departments have been asked to prepare a short report of the advantages/disadvantages to their program under a quarter system and early semester system. These reports are due October 17, and a decision on which Calendar system to recommend to the faculty will hopefully be decided during fall quarter '94.
- B. President's Office: (See Vice President Koob's remarks below.)
- C. Vice President for Academic Affairs: Dr. Koob clarified that President Baker has sent a letter to the CSU Board of Trustees asking them to determine whether or not it is okay for the University to require students to buy computers and/or to charge a fee covering campus computer use. The Chancellor has appointed a three-person

committee composed of three vice chancellors to discuss this matter and prepare a proposal. It was stressed that Cal Poly has made no determination about either of these options. The campus has asked that the Board of Trustees develop a policy regarding this matter for the system. Further conversation with both students and faculty will occur before instituting a local policy. The Senate Chair noted that closer ties between the Senate and the IACC are needed.

- D. Statewide Senators: Kersten. In the face of continuing financial difficulties, the Chancellor's Office is trying to get a \$100 million to \$150 million Revenue Bond referendum on the November ballot if the Legislature will authorize it. Trustees and the Chancellor are considering a system-wide enrollment increase of 2,500 for next year. There is a vacancy in the position of Faculty Trustee. Any faculty member can nominate him or herself or other faculty. It was noted that this is a "highly political group" and a very demanding positive. Additionally, there is one position open for a Statewide Senator from our campus. Fliers will be out announcing this within the next few days.
- E. CFA Campus President: The CFA is very concerned with the November election outcome which they believe will be very important to the future of higher education in California. The current contract has been extended through the first days of November and negotiations are still underway. It was noted that negotiators are engaged in interest-based bargaining which is a collaborative form of negotiation (as opposed to conflict-oriented). The CFA is also very concerned that tenured faculty are being laid off and is attempting to address this through the grievance process because it has very grave implications for the CSU.

IV. Consent Agenda:

V. Business Item(s):

Resolution on 1993-94 Program Review and Improvement Committee Report of Findings and Recommendations (first reading). No discussion was held.

Resolution on Selection of Nominee for the Outstanding Freshman Advocate Advocate Award. MSPU That the Academic Senate support the nomination of Phil Bailey as the campus nominee for the Outstanding Freshman Advocate Award.

VI. Discussion Item(s):

VII. Adjournment: 3:45pm Caucuses were invited to meet following adjournment,