

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

Minutes of the
ACADEMIC SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, October 20, 1992
UU 220, 3:00-5:00pm

Preparatory: The meeting was called to order at 3:14pm.

- I. Minutes: The minutes of the September 22 and September 29, 1992 meetings were approved without change.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: none
 - B. President's Office: none
 - C. Vice President for Academic Affairs: Vice President Koob reported that the Chancellor's Office has requested the university to identify its budget reductions in line with their allocations; reductions are to be identified before income is received. This requires book reductions significantly higher than those that we actually expect to suffer. In order to accommodate this, large sums will be taken from items such as utilities and then backfilled with income when it is collected. This is required because not all of the fee increase has been collected yet. There is still a two percent uncertainty in this year's final budget.
 - D. Statewide Senators: In response to an inquiry from Mori, Kersten reported the statewide Academic Senate is deciding whether to assist the San Diego campus in an action to censure President Day for faculty/program cuts recently made on that campus. The statewide Senate's concern is that it not intrude inappropriately into individual campus problems while still being sensitive to the legitimate request of the campus for support.
- IV. Consent Agenda: none
- V. Business Item(s):
 - i. Consultative Committee for Selection of Dean to CBUS: The following faculty were elected to this committee: Phillip Doub (Animal Science and Industry), JoAnne Freeman (Industrial Engineering), Mary Beth Armstrong (Accounting), Jan Duffy (Business Administration), Michael Marlow (Economics), and James Sena (Management).
 - ii. Consultative Committee for Selection of Dean to CLA: The following faculty were elected to this committee: Stephen Kaminaka (Agricultural Engineering), George Lewis (Mathematics), Brent Keetch (English), Joanne Ruggles (Art and Design), John Russell (Music), and Richard Shaffer (Social Sciences).
 - A. Academic Senate/committee vacancies: The following individuals were appointed to the Senate/committee below:

Academic Senate:

CLA - DONALD GRINDE replaces Nancy Clark for Fall Quarter
JOHN HAMPSEY replaces Craig Russell for Fall Quarter
DOUGLAS KEESEY replaces Patricia Troxel for Fall Quarter

CSM - GAIL COOK and LEON MAKSOUDIAN

Academic Senate Committees:

CAED - GE&B Committee - ZELJKA BILBIJA
CLA - Curriculum Committee - PHIL FETZER, replaces Patricia Troxel for Fall Quarter
 - B. Selection of Academic Senate Secretary for Fall Quarter: no nominees.
 - C. Selection of Academic Senate parliamentarian: no nominees.
 - D. Appointment of part-time faculty member to the Academic Senate: GARY LAVER was appointed part-time representative to the Academic Senate. MINA VAUGHN was appointed part-time representative to the Status of Women Committee.

- E. Program Review and Improvement Committee replacement for Gerald Cunico: no nominees.
- F. Selection of programs for the Program Review and Improvement Committee to review:
 - CAGR Food Science and Nutrition
Soil Science
 - CAED Construction Management
 - CBUS Masters of Business Administration
Business Administration
Economics
 - CENG Engineering Science
Computer Engineering
Engineering Management Program (EMP)
 - CLA Graphic Communication
 - CSM Chemistry
Physics
- G. Resolution on Majority Vote: Agendized for the next Academic Senate meeting.
- H. Resolution on Vote of Confidence for Administrators: The chair of the Personnel Policies Committee, Ray Terry, gave some background information on the purpose for this resolution and noted that there are different forms, methods, and time lines for conducting a Vote of Confidence for a dean versus an administrator. Botwin suggested having a Vote of Confidence occur at regular intervals because if it is only generated as an extraordinary event, the individuals bringing the petition would not be anonymous. Peach suggested an alternative would be to put term-endings on deans and administrators; for example, five-year terms with reappointment/renewal possible. There is no provision for organized debate on this matter and it should receive a public discussion so the issues could be aired formally. Mori stated that if a Vote of Confidence is done at regular intervals, then it becomes a review process. Gamble suggested more general language be used in the resolution to include any administrator, not just the president and vice president. Botwin stated that a Vote of Confidence is an instrument to measure whether a person is doing her/his job. It's not just for one issue. Mori replied a Vote of Confidence only comes up if the faculty do not have confidence in their dean/administrator. The chair of the committee was directed to include the necessity of having an open forum accompanying a Vote of Confidence in the resolution. The resolution was returned to the Personnel Policies Committee for further deliberation.
- I. Resolution Relating to a Cultural Pluralism Curriculum Requirement: Botwin expressed concern that the resolution was not ready to be agendized. How the Cultural Pluralism requirement is to be worked out appears too vague. Bailey replied the subcommittee to be formed will create the criteria and list of courses for qualification under this requirement. A deadline is needed to get this done and a subcommittee needs to be formed to do the work to establish the program. Botwin was considered whether there would be a sufficient number of courses offered and how many would receive general education credit as well. The following friendly amendments were added to this resolution: (1) Add as a second Whereas clause, "WHEREAS, President Baker announced his approval of AS-361-91 on July 11, 1991..." (2) The first Resolved clause will add wording to read "RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate approve a cultural pluralism baccalaureate requirement preferably beginning with the 1994-96 catalog cycle..." and (3) Language of the resolution will be unified so the term "cultural pluralism" will be used consistently throughout the document.
- J. Resolution on the Formation of a Subcommittee of the Curriculum Committee: The following friendly amendment was added to this resolution: Add to the Resolved clause, "...There will be a standing subcommittee of the Curriculum Committee for the initial review of courses...This subcommittee will consist of ~~six~~ seven voting members, one from each college and Professional Consultative Services..."

VI. Discussion:

A resolution was brought to the meeting by senator Botwin concerning the discontinuance of the Engineering Technology and Home Economics Departments. It was agreed that the President and Vice President would be invited to talk to the Executive Committee about this matter before taking up the resolution. A Executive Committee meeting will be scheduled for October 27, 1992 to discuss this issue with President Baker and Vice President Koob.

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:01pm.

Recorded by: Margaret Camuso
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