

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

Minutes of the
ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Tuesday
April 23, 1991
UU 220, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Preparatory: The meeting was called to order at approximately 3:11 pm.

- I. Minutes: The minutes of the April 9, 1991 were approved as presented. The minutes of the April 2, 1991 meeting were approved as corrected. J. Murphy called attention to the fact that B for Bud instead of R for Raymond had been used for R. Zeuschner's name. In fact, his whole name was misspelled. The phrase "predominately white" describing EOP students, p. 3, should read "not predominately underrepresented".

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

J. Murphy called upon R. Zeuschner to report on academic program review. R. Zeuschner is the newly elected chair of the Task Force on Program Review. He told briefly of their start on the project.

III. Reports:

A. Academic Senate Chair

J. Murphy indicated that a copy of of the Academic Senate election results is attached.

B. Vice President for Academic Affairs' Office

At the end of April, President Baker will announce his plan for budget cuts in noninstructionally related programs. J. Murphy said that PACBRA will be meeting Monday to review the plan.

C. State Senators.

T. Kersten reported that he and his committee are watching a couple of bills that have gone before the legislature. This includes a Bond Act, SB 121, in which some parties are trying to eliminate the equipment for new buildings, AB 617 introduced by Tom Hayden concerns the Master Plan. There is also a bill (Woodruff) pending that proports to establish a faculty member of the year award, termed the Governor's Outstanding Professor of the Year.

IV. Business Items:

A. Academic Senator Replacement Approval:

SLA Replacement for Torres, '91-92 DOUGLAS KEESEY (English)

B. Resolution on the Academic Calendar-Terry, Chair of the Instruction Committee.

A change was incorporated correcting some misinformation, "via the Academic Senate Office was changed to "via the Academic Senate Executive Committee". M/S/P to be placed on the Consent Agenda. (Gooden/Andrews).

C. Resolution on Job Announcement Recommendation-Torres, Professor.

Discussion ensued as C. Andrews made objection to the wording of the statement to be part of the job required or desired qualifications for all Cal Poly staff, faculty, and administration. He said that it required making value judgements; and, that as written, a KKK member meets the requirements. L. Gamble noted the dismal retention rate of Chicano faculty and asked how the statement is going to help keep minority faculty here. L. Torres said that many minority faculty look for similar statements in job advertisements before applying for a position. By attaching more minorities, one builds its own support group. C. Andrews suggested that the statement be cleaned up and further defined. To be agendized.

D. Resolution on U.S. Ethnic Pluralism Program-Torres, Chair of the U.S. Ethnic Pluralism Development Committee.

C. Andrews moved that the resolution be referred to the Curriculum Committee. The motion was seconded by C. Porkorny. L. Gamble said that the resolution has the best chance of success by going through regular Senate channels. L. Torres, as part of the U. S. Ethnic Pluralism Development Committee, was proceeding in good faith in seeking faculty involvement via the Academic Senate. He wished to see this resolution go through. C. Bailey, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, said that review of the resolution would not be within her committee's charge and that she would return it to the Senate. W. Reynoso moved to table the motion to refer, seconded by C. Russell. A point of order was called as to whether a motion to refer could be tabled. It was the Chair's ruling to accept a motion to table. C. Andrews appealed the Chair's ruling and a vote was taken. The Executive Committee voted against accepting the Chair's ruling. Discussion on the original motion proceeded; the vote for referring failed.

R. Terry suggested that the Academic Senate could appoint an ad hoc committee charged with drafting a curriculum. C. Russell endorsed the idea that the Academic Senate should establish a "U.S. Ethnic Pluralism Development Committee" and moved the resolution to be agendized. R. Gooden moved to amend the resolution by dropping the second, third, fourth, and fifth resolve clauses. The amendment passed. The resolution as amended will be agendized.

E. Resolution on Proposal to Establish the Agricultural Safety Institute at Cal Poly. Dilger, Professor.

C. Andrews pointed out that a complete budget was lacking. He was concerned with the sale of products, which has been a Cal Poly Foundation function; and certain income information has been omitted. Paul Dilger explained the purpose and function of the Institute. Senate Bill 198 mandated that every industry have a written safety program. Industry has come to the School of Agriculture and asked that they coordinate the efforts for written safety programs within the agriculture industry. They will finance the operation and facilities. All Cal Poly has to furnish is the land for the building. All other monies will come from private industry. Each company contributes \$5,000 to \$10,000 per year and the first year's budget will be approximately \$300,000. Moved to agendize. Budget statement will be added to include itemization of income and expansion of expenditures.

C. Andrews moved to make this a business item. Passed by consensus.

F. General Education and Breadth Proposals-Burgunder, Chair of the GE&B Committee.

L. Burgunder noted that Area C3 was the most troublesome. The Committee feels that a new review is in order. Moved to agendize.

G. Curriculum Proposals-Bailey, Chair of the Curriculum Committee.

T. Bailey would like to pass along additional materials from other schools as they become available. She emphasized that full copies of all proposals are housed with the respective dean. Moved to agendize.

H. Resolution on Proposal to establish the Coastal Resources Institute at Cal Poly-Vilkitis, Coordinator for CRI. Moved to agendize.

V. Discussion:

A. Membership of General Faculty to the Academic Senate-DeMers, Chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

G. DeMers posed a number of considerations in dealing with faculty membership including the role of administrators, FERPS, department heads. He was interested in whether or not any changes were advised for the present system.

B. Should the Academic Senate Executive Committee be involved in school dean search efforts?

In general, the answer was yes.

VI. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.