

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California 93401
ACADEMIC SENATE

Executive Committee Agenda
January 21, 1986
Faculty Office Bldg. 24B, 1500-1700

<u>MEMBER:</u>	<u>DEPT:</u>	<u>MEMBER:</u>	<u>DEPT:</u>
Ahern, James	Ag Mgmt	Kersten, Timothy	Economics
Bonds, Robert	LAC	Labhard, Leslie*	Home Econ
Botwin, Michael	Arch Engr	Lamouria, Lloyd H.	Ag Engr
Cooper, Alan F.	Biology	Olsen, Barton	History
Fort, Tomlinson Jr.	Adm	Riener, Kenneth	Bus Admin
Gamble, Lynne E.	Library	Tandon, Shyama	EL/EE
Gooden, Reg H. Jr.	Political Sci	Terry, Raymond	Mathematics
Hallman, Barbara	History		

*for Larry Gay on leave Winter 86

Copies: Baker, Warren J.,
Irvin, Glenn W.

I. Minutes: Approval of the January 7, 1986 Executive Committee Minutes
(attached pp. 2-6)

II. Announcements:

III. Reports

- A. President/Provost
- B. Statewide Senators

IV. Business Items:

- A. Resolution on Lead Time for Consultation (addition) - Kersten (attached p. 7)
- B. Resolution on Senior Projects - Cooper (attached p. 8)
- C. Effect of abstention votes - Lamouria

V. Discussion Items:

- A. Collegiality Statement - Kersten
- B. Personnel Policies Committee Status Report - Andrews (Committee Chair)

VI. Adjournment:

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Background: A recent example of poor timing on the part of our Chancellor's Office was the following:

On the date of December 12, 1985, Vice Chancellor Dale Hanner invited CSU Presidents to submit a list of 10 possible uses for lottery funds. Submission deadline was January 3, 1986. Then on the date of December 23rd, the Senate Chair and the Budget Committee Chair were invited to comment. The Senate Chair received word on December 28th. Both the Senate Chair and Budget Committee Chair submitted informal responses to President Baker. Certainly the timetable was too short and the use of the holiday break inappropriate.

RESOLUTION ON THE
NEED FOR ADEQUATE TIME FOR CONSULTATION

WHEREAS, effective collegial government of the university requires extensive consultation between administration and faculty and students; and

WHEREAS, effective consultation between the administration and faculty is often a time-consuming process; and

WHEREAS, the Statement on Collegiality adopted by the Academic Senate of the California State University urges that adequate time be provided for full consultation between the administration and faculty on matters of importance to the university; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate, Cal Poly State University, urge the President, the Chancellor of the California State University, and the Board of Trustees, to ensure that adequate time be provided for full and meaningful consultation between administration and faculty on all matters of importance to the university in accordance with the Board of Trustees Statement on Collegiality.

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Background: The senior project was initiated for the purpose of developing student capability in report writing, or in writing a scholarly proposal. At the time it was begun, many students lacked competency in these areas and needed a practical way to gain this writing experience. It is now possible that in many departments this need is met as a regular part of the curriculum and that an alternative experience would be more meaningful.

The senior project is as close as we come to a "sacred cow" and it should be looked at very carefully on a school and departmental basis in order to provide meaningful flexibility.

RESOLUTION ON SENIOR PROJECT

WHEREAS, The present policy on senior projects is inflexible and may no longer be needed in some disciplines at California Polytechnic State University; and

WHEREAS, There has been considerable faculty complaints, most especially that senior projects are most often taught as an overload; and

WHEREAS, The failure to complete senior projects has prevented many otherwise deserving students from graduating; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the present policy on senior projects be changed to allow individual disciplines to make it optional.

RESOLVED: That this new policy take effect immediately.

Alan Cooper
1/21/86