

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
SAN LUIS OBISPO
ACADEMIC SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - MINUTES
November 26, 1985
FOB 24B 3:00 p.m.

Chair: Lloyd H. Lamouria
Vice Chair: Lynne E. Gamble
Secretary: Raymond D. Terry

Members Absent: Tim Kersten

I. Minutes

A brief discussion of the minutes of the Academic Senate Executive Committee meeting of November 12, 1985 took place.

- A. The Chair announced two changes in the minutes. The first was a typographical error: On page 4 the heading "E. South Africa Apartheid Resolution" is to be deleted. That topic is discussed in Item IV.B on page 3. The second change was the deletion of the last two sentences of the last paragraph of Item IV. B, also found on page 4.
- B. At Barton Olsen's request, Item III. B. 2 now reads as follows:

"Barton Olsen noted that 50% of the instructors in the CSU System are lecturers. The topic of lecturers' rights is one area in which the Statewide Academic Senate and the CFA may be coming into conflict."
- C. At the Provost's request, the word "increased" was removed from the first sentence of the second paragraph on page three.
- D. With the changes noted in Items A-C above, the minutes of the November 12 meeting of the Executive Committee were approved.

II. Announcements

- A. The Chair announced that the Interim Vice Provost for Academic Programs is Walter E. "Wally" Mark. He will hold this position until the recently-selected Vice Provost Glenn Irvin assumes the post in January.
- B. The Chair announced that he had forwarded to the Administration the Resolution on Assigned Time which had

been approved by the Executive Committee in its November 12, 1985 meeting.

- C. The Chair provided an update on the collection and use of lottery funds.
- D. The Chair called the Executive Committee's attention to the PPC Report which provided a local interpretation of the wording of a recent grievance settlement. Cf. the Oct. 25 memo from Charles Andrews to Lloyd Lamouria and the Nov. 4 memo from Lloyd Lamouria to Provost Fort (pp. 5-6 of the Nov. 26 information package).
- E. The Chair announced that he had met with the other officers, as directed by the Executive Committee on November 12, to develop a list of faculty names to be suggested as additions /replacements for names on the proposed campus sub-committees. He had forwarded these names to the Provost along with a statement of the comments and concerns raised during the Nov. 12 Executive Committee meeting.
- F. The Chair directed the Executive Committee's attention to his Oct. 31 memo to the Provost and the Nov. 19 reply by the Provost concerning the Trustee's Statement on Collegiality, particularly as it relates to the Senate's role in fiscal and budgetary issues. (Cf. pp. 7-8 of the Nov. 26 information package.)

III. Reports

A. Provost's Report

1. The Provost reminded the Executive Committee that approximately a year ago he had formed an ad hoc committee to review cases of sexual harassment. The Committee, which is chaired by Mike Suess, has more than a dozen members.

The Committee has worked long and hard. Their work is complicated by the fact that a harassed person could be a faculty member, a staff person or a student.

The Committee has prepared a report which will be widely distributed. Copies will be available in the Library. The Chair of the Academic Senate will be receiving a copy within days. Input from faculty members should be directed to Mike Suess.

The Provost indicated that he would like to have a University policy in place as soon as possible,

hopefully by January 1986. The general sentiment around the table was that the Senate could not act that quickly.

2. The Provost next brought up the issue of instructor effectiveness. He informed the Executive Committee of the funding problem facing the course ED-581, which has been taught by Don Maas (Education) for four years. The Provost indicated that he had prepared an information packet which he will soon send to the Senate Chair with the request that the matter be taken under advisement.

The Chair informed the Provost that he had already referred the issue (at the request of the Senate Secretary) to the Instruction Committee.

3. The Provost expressed an interest in the Senate's Ad Hoc Committee on Lottery Funds. He noted that the lottery is expected to bring in thirteen million dollars system-wide. However, this expectation has not yet been fulfilled.

B. Statewide Senators' Report

1. All the Senators agreed with Barton Olsen's statement: "Asilomar is a lovely place. We ought to go there more often." Olsen continued by saying that he had spent the entire meeting wrestling with the part-time issue, which is now being addressed.
2. Reg Gooden provided the Executive Committee with some background concerning the annual Asilomar meetings. He indicated that the topics of discussion were organized by means of subcommittees: one on instruction, one on curriculum, one on the mission of the CSU System. Reg indicated that he had attended the Mission Statement Subcommittee, as had President Baker. The major issues were: stand-alone doctorates, access to the CSU System and the raising of admission standards.

Reg Gooden indicated that he would soon ask that certain Statewide Senate reports be reassigned to our own Senate committees. He further indicated that CSU had established an institute to pool resources on all 19 campuses. We should consider ways in which our campus may benefit from this, especially in the area of instruction.

3. Barton Olsen commented that the issue of stand-alone doctorates is the opening salvo of a continuing problem with real implications. At Jim Ahern's request, Barton clarified his comment

by pointing to a possible conflict with the University of California. He also questioned the "urgent state need" justification for the change in policy and was critical of CSU's delay in addressing the needs of many Master's programs.

Al Cooper decried the uncertainty and inadequacy of funding for the M.S. program in Biological Sciences and Chemistry.

Provost Fort conjectured that sometimes better funding occurs after a new degree program is established. He cited Joe Murphy's keynote address at the Asilomar meeting in which he traced the history of doctoral education at City University of New York.

C. Status of Women Conference

The Chair announced that he had attended the Status of Women Conference in Pomona. He suggested that we consider the possibility of establishing a standing Senate committee on women.

IV. Business Items

A. Resolution for the Removal of a Ceiling on Instructional Computer Equipment

1. Jens Pohl (Chair: Budget Committee) presented the background and rationale for the proposed resolution.
2. The following points were made:
 - a. The ceiling, when first imposed, no doubt appeared quite liberal. Now it is quite a limitation.
 - b. The replacement of worn-out equipment by computer-based equipment is much more expensive than replacement with equipment of the same type.
 - c. The limit per CSU campus per year on replacement computer equipment expenditures is \$200,000; when this limit is reached, disastrous consequences may result.
 - d. The total maintenance /replacement budget for Cal Poly was \$913,000; the computer equipment expenditure quota is thus about 20% of the total.
 - e. A campus-by-campus interpretation of what is

(is not) computer equipment is advantageous.

3. The Executive Committee agreed by consensus to move the resolution forward to the agenda of the Dec. 3 Senate meeting without endorsement.

B. Parking Change Recommendations

The Chair announced that Marlin Vix (Chair: Ad Hoc Committee on Parking) had asked that this item be withdrawn from the agenda.

C. GE&B Catalog Recommendations

George Lewis (Chair: GE&B) summarized the content of his committee's recommendations (Cf. pp. 13-14 of the information package.).

1. At the request of Robert Bonds, George Lewis explained the recommendation against AE 340.
2. At the request of Reg Gooden, George Lewis explained the recommendation against HUM 301-X.
3. At the request of Lynne Gamble, George Lewis explained the recommendation against ART 208.
4. At the request of Shyama Tandon, George Lewis explained the recommendation against EL 339.

It was pointed out that in many cases the rejection of a course for inclusion in the GE&B requirements was not made on the basis of the quality of the course, but rather due to the inappropriateness of the area for which the GE&B application was made.

The Executive Committee agreed by consensus to move the GE&B recommendations to a first reading at the Dec. 3 Senate meeting.

V. Discussion Items

A. Parliamentary Procedure

1. Jim Ahern (Chair: SAGR Caucus) proposed handing out some material on parliamentary procedure.
2. Reg Gooden supported the idea.
3. Al Cooper provided an anecdote in defense of the use of parliamentary procedure.
4. Robert Bonds defended the Chair's informal ap-

proach to conducting meetings, but agreed that parliamentary procedure should govern the making of motions and amendments on the Senate floor.

5. The Chair agreed to send out (as a separate mailing) material explaining and simplifying the use of parliamentary procedure.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.