

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California
ACADEMIC SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - MINUTES
January 21, 1986
FOB 24B 3:00 p.m.

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

Members Absent: Alan Cooper, Barton Olsen

I. Minutes

The minutes of the January 7, 1986 meeting of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate were approved as mailed.

II. Announcements

III. Reports

A. President's Report

1. The President distributed a two-page handout on the highlights of the 1986-1987 Governor's Budget. The handout was studied and analyzed in detail.
2. Although no program change proposals (PCPs) were funded in the Governor's Budget, there is a generous amount of capital outlay funds. Attention was called to the funding of two Cal Poly projects (working drawings for Engineering remodel, and plans and working drawings for new Dairy).
3. Funds for a new single-faculty office building are not included in the Governor's Budget. There is a Trustee policy that when new buildings are constructed, single-faculty offices will be provided. There is, however, no Trustee policy concerning the conversion of two-person offices to single-person offices. Indeed, such conversion systemwide would cost more than 100 million dollars.
4. The President announced that the Executive Committee of his Cabinet had decided to send a letter to Trustee Brophy supporting the concept of single-person faculty offices and adequate computing support. He hopes that it will influence the Trustees.
5. There are conflicting opinions as to whether the declining enrollment situation is a temporary or long-term problem. Mention was made of the need to develop satellite campuses (in Ventura, Contra Costa, and N. San Diego Counties) which may eventually become stand-alone campuses.

B. Statewide Senators' Reports

There were no reports.

IV. Business Items

A. Resolution on Lead Time for Consultation (Tim Kersten)

1. President Baker conceded that the background statement of the resolution is correct, but ill-advised. Vice Chancellor Hanner had asked Baker for his views; he did not ask for campus consultation. Input from the Academic Senate is obtained through other channels. According to Baker, the unintended provocation by Hanner is "the wrong catalyst for a correct issue."
2. The Chair suggested that the Resolution be sent forth without the background statement.
3. Tim Kersten suggested that the last two lines of the resolved clause be changed to read: "...in accordance with the spirit of the Board of Trustees' Statement on Collegiality." He also noted a usage error in the first whereas clause; viz., the word "government" should be changed to "governance."
4. Reg Gooden moved to delete the background statement from the Resolution (as corrected in Item 3) and put it on the agenda of the February 11, 1986 Senate meeting. The motion was seconded by Lezlie Labhard and Barbara Hallman and approved by consensus.

B. Resolution on Senior Projects

There was no discussion of this agenda item due to the absence of Al Cooper who authored the resolution.

C. Effect of Abstention Votes

The Chair distributed a handout on the effect of abstention votes. Example II exhibited the situation that occurred in the January 14, 1986 Senate vote on an amendment to the GE&B Committee's recommendations. Since the vote was 22-22-4, the amendment would have failed even if the Chair had cast an affirmative vote.

V. Discussion Items

A. Collegiality Statement

1. Tim Kersten suggested that the Executive Committee review, at its leisure, the collegiality statement developed by the Academic Senate CSU last year.
2. Tim proposed that copies of the statement be duplicated, distributed among the Executive Committee members and discussed.
3. Robert Bonds noted that the meaning of collegiality may change from campus to campus. We should view it from the Administration, as well as the faculty perspective.
4. President Baker indicated that he would be willing to participate in a discussion of the meaning of collegiality. This offer was readily accepted by the Chair.
5. Tim Kersten initiated a discussion of the group known as Accuracy in Academia (AIA). He believes that AIA's activities will inhibit in-class discussion, resulting in damage to education and inquiry.
6. Reg Gooden favored a low-key approach.

7. The Chair informed the group that Joe Weatherby, the Senate's new Governmental Affairs Specialist, believes that nothing should be done at the present time.
8. Tim Kersten volunteered to draft a resolution containing a strong statement against the activities of AIA.
9. By consensus, the Executive Committee authorized Tim Kersten to draft such a resolution.

B. Personnel Policies Committee Status Report

1. Charles Andrews summarized the work of his committee including:
 - a. The refinement of the regulations regarding MPPP awards. (The timetable for nominations, department action, school committee recommendations, etc. is being adjusted to avoid overlapping with personnel actions).
 - b. The evaluation of department heads and deans.
 - c. The subject of sexual harassment. (The PPC representative to the Ad Hoc Committee on Ethics is Linda Dalton.) The Ad Hoc Committee on Ethics will report its findings to the PPC which will then report to the Chair of the Senate.
2. Andrews noted that some faculty members are shunning their responsibilities in the area of personnel action.

VI. Adjournment

- A. Robert Bonds thanked the Executive Committee for its support of his Resolution on Apartheid which was endorsed by the Senate on January 14, 1986. He especially thanked those who had spoken in favor of the resolution.
- B. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.