

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO
ACADEMIC SENATE
ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

March 4, 1986
U.U. 220 3:00 p.m.

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

Members Absent:

I. Minutes

The minutes of the February 11, 1986 meeting of the Academic Senate were approved after two corrections had been made by Lynn Jamieson. The corrections involved the deletion of the last sentence of IV.B.3 and the replacement of SPSE by RecAdmin in IV.B.10.

II. Announcements

Lane Page (Library), speaking for Bill Kellogg (Chair: Senate Elections Committee), reviewed for the Senate the various elections that will occur in May: approximately half of the Senate, two of the three Statewide Academic Senators, and six of the eight elected members of the UPLC (four two-year terms and two one-year terms). In addition, the Elections Committee is presently conducting a special election to determine members of an Advisory Selection Committee for the Vice President of Information Systems.

III. Reports

A. President /Provost

Neither the President nor the Provost was present for this meeting.

B. Statewide Senators: There were no reports.

C. Special Report

1. The Chair recognized Tim Kersten who introduced CSU Academic Senate Chair, Bernard Goldstein (Professor of Biology at San Francisco State University).
2. Prof. Goldstein spoke at length on the role of academic government, the meaning of collegiality, the effect of collective bargaining on the decision-making process, the recently-adopted Mission State-

ment, the new CSU admission policy, the Governor's Budget and the activities of the Commission to Review the Master Plan of Higher Education.

3. In view of Prof. Goldstein's need to leave for the Airport at 4:00 p.m., there was a very brief question period.
4. Prof. Goldstein was warmly received by the Senate.

IV. Business Items

A. Resolution on Assigned Time

1. The Chair noted that the agenda package mistakenly contained the Executive Committee Resolution on the Distribution of Assigned Time, not the Senate Resolution on Assigned Time. The correct attachment was distributed to the senators.
2. The Chair passed the gavel to the Vice Chair who recognized Sen. Lamouria for the purpose of supporting the Resolution. He noted the increased workload of the Senate, particularly of the Officers and certain standing committee chairs. This increased workload has resulted from the Senate's assertion of rights and responsibilities granted by the Board of Trustees' Statement on Collegiality.
3. The Resolution was moved to its second and final reading.

MSP (Steve French /Mike Botwin) that the Senate adopt the Resolution.

The Senate adopted the Resolution by acclamation.

4. The Vice Chair returned the gavel to the Chair.

B. Resolution on Facilitating Curriculum Planning

1. The Chair introduced Dan Williamson who made himself available for questions.
2. There were no questions, nor any discussion.
3. MSP (Ken Riener /Lynn Jamieson). The Resolution was adopted unanimously.

C. Resolution on Guidelines for Breadth in New Bachelor's Degree Majors

1. MSP (Tim Kersten /Dan Bertozzi). After a brief

discussion, the Resolution was adopted unanimously.

D. Resolution on "Accuracy in Academia"

1. The Chair offered to defer action on this item until the Senate's next session on March 11 (due to Tim Kersten's departure from the meeting to take Bernard Goldstein to the Airport). Joe Weatherby volunteered to guide the Resolution through its second reading.
2. MS (Joe Weatherby /Barbara Hallman). A lengthy discussion ensued.
3. Arguments against the Resolution included:
 - a. The group is not a problem on the Cal Poly campus.
 - b. Passage of the Resolution would make the group seem more formidable than it is.
 - c. Passage of the Resolution is unnecessary: The President will do what the Resolution calls for in any event.
 - d. The Resolution contains a technical inaccuracy: a de facto whereas clause within the first resolved clause.
 - e. The Resolution singles out AIA instead of proclaiming opposition to all groups having similar aims and /or methods.
 - f. Adoption of the Resolution could result in widespread misunderstanding and misrepresentation of the faculty's opposition to AIA.
4. Arguments in favor of the Resolution included:
 - a. The group is a problem on campus. Three departments have been the victim of AIA activity. It may not be evident to the rest of the campus since the AIA has targeted only Political Science, History, Social Science and possibly Economics.
 - b. The AIA is malevolent and must be opposed even if there were not a clear and present on-campus danger from its activities.
 - c. A recent poll by the campus newspaper indicates that AIA has significant student support.

- d. Unequivocal support by the Administration for Departments affected by AIA has not yet manifested itself.
 - e. Evil must be opposed in its early stages before it becomes entrenched. The early toleration of student evaluations led to abuses in their use in the personnel process.
5. Reg Gooden and Ray Terry introduced two amendments which changed the emphasis of the Resolution, overcame the minor technical problem with the first resolved clause and more clearly reflected the Senate's disgust with AIA. Due to the convoluted nature of the amendment process, only the end result of the amendments are listed. The two resolved clauses were changed to read:

Resolved: That the Academic Senate of California Polytechnic State University condemns the efforts of "Accuracy in Academia" and of any external organizations attempting to interfere with academic freedom; and be it further

Resolved: That the Academic Senate of California Polytechnic State University also urges the President to condemn the efforts of "Accuracy in Academia" and of any external organizations attempting to interfere with academic freedom.

The amendments were adopted.

6. Al Cooper called the question.
 7. The amended Resolution was adopted with only two negative votes (cast by proxies).
- E. Resolution to Establish a Standing Committee on the Status of Women
1. In the absence of John Rogalla (Chair: Constitution & Bylaws Committee), Nancy Loe (also a member of C&B) moved the adoption of the Resolution. Al Cooper seconded the motion.
 2. MaryLinda Wheeler expressed some dissatisfaction with the Resolution's lack of a strong statement on the responsibilities of the Committee. Also, there is no explicit statement that the Chair shall be a woman.

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3. It was established that the responsibilities of the Committee are listed in the Resolution on Bylaws, etc. (to be acted upon next).

4. The Resolution was adopted unanimously.

F. Resolution on Bylaws for the Status of Women Standing Committee of the Academic Senate

1. Nancy Loe moved the adoption of the Resolution.

2. MaryLinda Wheeler voiced the same objections to this Resolution as to the previous Resolution. She suggested changing the words "respond to" to "address" in the second sentence of Sect. 14.b. Her suggestion was accepted as a friendly amendment by John Mc Kinstry (acting in place of and on behalf of John Rogalla). Likewise, he accepted as a friendly amendment her suggestion to change the word "reviewing" to "reviewing and acting on" in the first sentence of Sect. 14.b. It was noted that the Committee would not "review recommendations on resolutions" but rather "review the resolutions" themselves.

3. John Mc Kinstry accepted as a friendly amendment John Phillips' suggestion that the order of the two sentences in Sect. 14.b. be reversed.

4. The Secretary noted some editorial changes necessitated by reversing the order of the two sentences.

5. The amended Item 14.b. then read:

"The Status of Women Committee shall address issues that concern women on campus. The Committee shall also be responsible for reviewing and acting on resolutions passed by the CSU Commission on the Status of Women."

6. The Resolution on Bylaws for the Status of Women Standing Committee of the Academic Senate passed unanimously.

V. Adjournment

At 5:00 p.m. the Chair recessed the Senate until Tuesday, March 11, 1986 at 3:00 p.m.; at that time work will resume on Items IV.G, IV.H, IV.I, IV.J, IV.K and additional items, as necessary.

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