

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY

San Luis Obispo

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - MEETING

February 20, 1979

Chair, Max Riedlsperger  
Vice Chair, Linda Atwood  
Secretary, Alan Foutz

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. by Chair, Max Riedlsperger.

- I. Minutes - The minutes for the meetings of January 16, 1979 and January 30, 1979 were approved as distributed.

II. Business Items

- A. General Education and Breadth Committee - Stine - "Resolution regarding natural sciences option for broadly-based course work in Architecture, Agriculture, and Engineering."

M/S/P (Griffin/Weatherby) to put the resolution as an agenda item for the 3/16/79 Academic Senate meeting.

- B. Faculty Library Committee Resolution - Blesse

M/S (Wenzl/Jorgensen) to support the idea of the resolution naming the reading room of the Department of Special Collections after Dr. Norman Alexander.

Motion passed - 12 yea/2 nay.

- C. Letter to the Trustees Regarding PSAC - Brenner

M/S (Brenner/Jorgensen) to place as an agenda item for the 3/6/79 meeting of the Academic Senate.

A question was raised on point C in the second paragraph. Friendly amendment by Foutz to change point C to read "and the disproportionately small number of faculty from California Polytechnic on the PSAC."

The motion to place the resolution as amended as a business item passed. 13 yea/1 nay.

- D. Committee Appointments Confirmations - Riedlsperger

M/S/P to appoint Glenn McRae (Professional Consultative Services) to the Student Appeals Advisory Committee.

M/S/P to appoint Harold Kerbo (Division of Social Sciences) to the Student Appeals Advisory Committee.

- E. Salary Savings Resolution - Cooper

M/S/P to put on the 3/6/79 Academic Senate agenda as a first reading business item.

III. Discussion

- A. Budget Questionnaire

The Executive Committee made several recommendations to the Budget Committee concerning the questionnaire that they proposed sending. A major area of concern seemed to be the general tone of the questionnaire in that it might cause divided faculty due to making recommendations for cost savings. The Executive Committee suggested that it might be more pertinent at this time to ascertain what impacts Proposition 13 cuts have made to various areas of the University.

- B. Referendum -  
M/S/P (Wenzl/Hale) to place this as a Business item on the 3/6/79 Academic Senate agenda

C. Instruction Committee - Role and Function

A lengthy discussion occurred relating to the role and function of the Committee and its role in reacting to charges made by the Academic Senate. It was the consensus of the Executive Committee that the Chair had acted in his assigned role as Chair of the Senate. The Executive Committee had not instituted an investigation, but simply was attempting to ascertain if one was needed.

The Executive Committee did, however, feel that the Chair should express their desire to explain that there has been a lack of communication between the Instruction Committee and the Academic Senate, and to express the Senate's wish that the Instruction Committee can more effectively communicate its actions with the Academic Senate -- that, in a friendly sense, the Chair of the Academic Senate will communicate with Ian Begg and explain our concerns about the breakdown in communication and encourage him in his leadership of the Committee and express the regrets of the entire Executive Committee regarding the breakdown in communication over the last few months.

M/S/P to adjourn at 4:45 p.m.