

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO

ACADEMIC SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - MINUTES
September 25, 1979

Chair, Max Riedlsperger
Vice Chair, Stu Goldenberg
Secretary, Allan Cooper

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 PM by Chair, Max Riedlsperger.

- I. Minutes - The agenda and minutes of August 14, 1979 and the minutes of July 10, 1979 were approved as distributed.

II. Announcements

- A. The new Student Body President, Rose Kranz and Finance Chair, Nick Forestiere were introduced and welcomed by the Chair.
- B. President Baker will be speaking to the Executive Committee at 4:00 PM at which time the Chair will suspend agenda proceedings.
- C. Stu Goldenberg announced a proposed change in the timetable for the catalog. The effective date of the catalog will be September instead of June so catalog changes would not affect the coming summer quarter. Another member of the Curriculum Committee, Harvey Greenwald, has looked at the proposal. It was felt that this was strictly an administrative issue. The Chair, on Stu's behalf, will convey the Senate's position on this matter to the Academic Council meeting on October 1, 1979.

III. Business Items

A. Approval of Committee Appointments

The Office Secretary, Sherry Hughes, announced the Senate committee appointments by committee. The Executive Committee gave its approval to all appointments. Each School Caucus leader was urged to fill current vacancies.

B. Academic Senate Representative to the Student Senate

The general sentiment of the Executive Committee was that Nancy Jorgensen should be recommended contingent on her resolving an administrative issue. She will need some release time as her current commitments exceed 40 hours per week.

C. Resolution on the Role of the Personnel Review Committee in Relation to Tenure Recommendations of a Negative Kind

It was felt that the original resolution was too abrasive. Stu Goldenberg rewrote the resolution to "calm the language down."

M/S/P (Kersten, Foutz) that the Executive Committee place this resolution on the agenda of the meeting of October 9, 1979.

D. Resolution Regarding Challenge Exams

This item was prepared by the Instruction Committee last May. No representative from the committee has been able to come to the Executive Committee meetings since that time to speak on its behalf. The Chair was requested to speak on this issue.

As other campus Senates in the system have established policy on Challenge Exams, it was felt that our Senate should be involved as well. Departments now handle this matter on an individual basis. One assumption is that the Challenge Exam process may be placing a heavy burden on the faculty as CAM states that any student who may wish to challenge may do so. It was generally felt that the intent of the resolution was not clearly stated. The "whereas" clauses do not lead logically to the "resolved" clause. There is no pressing time line on this resolution. The question was called by Tim Kersten.

It was moved, seconded and failed (Foutz, Keif) that the Executive Committee place this resolution on the agenda of the meeting of October 9, 1979. The vote was two in favor, nine against; the resolution will be sent back to committee for a rewrite.

E. Resolution Regarding Teaching Overloads

George Lewis spoke on behalf of the resolution. The average teaching load systemwide is 13.0 WTU. The average at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo is 13.8. Teaching overloads result in the loss of teaching positions. The resolution does not apply to lecturers.

M/S/P (Wenzl, Foutz) that the Executive Committee place this resolution on the agenda of the meeting of October 9, 1979.

IV. Discussion Items

A. General Education Proposal

The Chair recommends that the Executive Committee put the proposal on the floor of the Academic Senate for discussion and debate during the special meeting of the Senate on October 30th. It was agreed that the October 30 special meeting would be scheduled for these purposes. One Dean has expressed concern about the Academic Senate's authority to set up Schoolwide taskforces. The Professional Consultative Services expressed concern about not being part of this consultation process. It was suggested that the October 30 meeting be held in the faculty dining room so that the meeting could run over the usual 5:00 PM cutoff if necessary.

At this point the discussion was drawn to a close as Dr. Baker arrived for a question and answer session with the committee members.

B. Memorial Reading Room in the New Library Building

M/S/P (Goldenberg, Wenzl) that this item be placed on the agenda for the next Academic Senate meeting.

The Chair announced that those interested in participating in a conference on Educational Equity for Disabled Students should contact Hazel Jones by tomorrow.