

ACADEMIC SENATE - MINUTES
September 22, 1970

I. Session called to order in the Staff Dining Room by Chairman William Alexander at 3:10 p.m.

II. Those in attendance were

Members:

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| W. Alexander | D. Federer | T. Johnston | D. Price | N. Smith |
| R. Anderson | R. Frost | L. Labhard | C. Quinlan | J. Stuart |
| A. Andreoli | M. Gold | A. Landyshev | R. Ratcliffe | D. Stubbs |
| W. Boyce | C. Hanks | J. Lowry | H. Rhoads | L. Voss |
| M. Brady | S. Harden | D. Morgan | W. Rice | J. Weatherby |
| S. Burroughs | D. Head | J. Mott | H. Rickard | R. Wheeler |
| R. Burton | H. Honegger | R. Pautz | J. Rogalla | M. Wills |
| T. Carpenter | C. Johnson | J. Peterson | H. Scales | M. Whitson |
| R. Cleath | R. Johnson | D. Piper | M. Smith | |

Guests:

D. Cook
J. Emmel
R. Mott

Ex-Officio (voting) Members:

C. Cummins C. Fisher J. Ericson C. Gibson A. Higdon

Ex-Officio (Non-voting)

D. Andrews

III. Chairman Alexander called for approval of minutes of May 12, 19, 26, 28, 1970. J. Stuart moved for approval. Motion seconded by R. Ratcliffe, passed by voice vote.

IV. Business Items

Chairman Alexander announced that the floor was open for discussion of the following motion postponed from the last meeting:

Moved by H. Walker and seconded by G. Rich that the changes in the General Education requirements as presented by the Curriculum Committee (March 23, 1970) be recommended to the President.

Alexander advised the members that he would entertain amendments to the main motion.

D. Price, chairman of the 1969-70 Curriculum Committee reviewed the general aspects of the Committee's report.

D. Morgan moved and A. Landyshev seconded to amend the motion by adding: Except that the paragraph in the Committee's report regarding Basic Subjects be replaced by the present catalog statement, thereby restoring the words "or written."

R. Cleath indicated that the increasing extent to which society has come to rely on verbal communication calls for the "well-rounded" technical graduate of Cal Poly to be trained for competency in both written and oral communication.

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A. Higdon contended, in essence, that today's technological world requires more specific training in technology than in speech and that the proposed change in the wording of the Basic Subjects requirements reduced the flexibility the School of Engineering departments presently have in advising their students to take either written or oral communications courses.

J. Ericson supported the basic contention expressed by Dr. Cleath that today's college graduates need experiences and training that lead to their competencies in both written and oral communication.

J. Lowry moved the previous question on the amendment to the motion. Seconded by W. Boyce. Passed by a 49 to 5 vote.

Vote on the amendment to the motion. Passed 38 to 14.

C. Johnson moved the previous question on the main motion as amended. Seconded by R. Ratcliffe. Passed 49 to 5.

Vote on the main motion as amended. Passed 51 to 5 .

V. Announcements and Information Items

A. Chairman Alexander advised the Senate of the two methods members could use to get business items on the agenda: (1) present item in written form to the Executive Committee for consideration at its regular meetings, and (2) present a proposal from the floor of the Senate in session.

B. Chairman Alexander suggested that members review the attached calendar for the 1971-72 Academic Year (See Attachment B of September 22, 1970) and be prepared to discuss it at the October 13 meeting of the Senate, if necessary.

J. Stuart pointed out that the calendar must have college approval by November 1, 1970.

C. Chairman Alexander reviewed the several announcements as listed in the Agenda. In response to a question from R. Anderson, the Chairman corrected the announced direction to the Curriculum Committee. The corrected announcement directed the Curriculum Committee to bring the Academic Senate recommendations for General Education requirements for the 1973-74 catalog by January 15, 1970.

D. Chairman Alexander noted the following additional announcements:

1. The recent student disciplinary procedures announced by the Chancellor's Office has been referred to the Student Affairs Committee for study and report to the Senate.
2. A special committee has been appointed to study the "Full Utilization Plan for Cal Poly" and will report on its findings at a later date.
3. Corrections of the Senate roll lists should include the addition J. Ericson, R. Anderson, D. Grant, and C. Johnson. W. Rice should be added to the Executive Committee roll.

VI. C. Johnson moved for adjournment. Seconded by R. Ratcliffe, so ordered at 4:05.