

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California 93407
ACADEMIC SENATE

MINUTES OF THE
ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, March 27 2012
01-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

- I. Minutes: Minutes of the February 21 2012 Executive Committee meeting were approved as presented.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Fernflores) Jim LoCascio, and possibly Sam Frame, will be attending "Funding the Future of the CSU" symposium at CSU, Northridge on April 2-3. Trustee Margaret Fortune will be on campus April 11. A meeting with the Executive Committee has been scheduled with her from 1:15-2:30pm. Trustee Bernadette Cheyne will be visiting Cal Poly at the end of May.
 - B. President's Office: none.
 - C. Provost: (Enz Finken) Areas and responsibilities within Academic Affairs are being reviewed for possible reorganizing so functions are more clearly defined. A better process of space allocation is being considered. Fall Conference is also being looked at to make sure it accomplishes what we need it to accomplish.

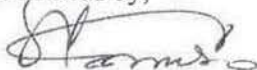
In a memo dated March 13 2012, the Chancellor's Office informed CSU Presidents of the "revised enrollment planning and management assumptions, limitations, and guidance" for CYs 2012-2014: Provost Enz Finken provided the following remarks regarding the contents of this memo: (1) The CSU will impose a new lower cap on enrollment of California residents if the CSU is required to take another significant budget cut in 2013/14. (2) The proposal to cap the number of units a student could take in any given quarter would be detrimental to our students and to Cal Poly. It goes against expectations for students to progress to degree in a timely manner, parent and student expectations regarding personal choice in managing their course of study, and also has potentially significant financial implications for both individual families and Cal Poly as an institution. (3) The memo requires campuses to halt admission of new students during the winter and spring quarters, but this has almost no impact on Cal Poly since almost all of our students are admitted to begin their course of study during the fall quarter. (4) Due to the potentially negative impact of the proposed actions, we are asking that the CSU reconsider their position on a few issues. (5) In addition, due to the tremendous strain on CSU institutions at this time, campuses have been asking the CSU to consider some changes to the way we attract, distribute, and/or expend resources. There seems to be some interest in exploring a few of the proposed options on the part of the CSU, and we are hopeful that we will see some changes that would benefit Cal Poly.

- D. Statewide Senate: (Foroohar) 25 new resolutions were proposed at the last plenary meeting. A task force for shared governance has been established to look at procedures for response to CSU Academic Senate resolutions by the Chancellor.

(LoCascio) Ruth Black spoke with statewide senators about Cal State Online. It is currently looking at the 60 programs already in place and locating students who left the system about 16 months ago. Having 24/7 technical support available to students is a priority along with competitive pricing for courses.

- E. CFA Campus President: (Thorncroft) The CFA report on the privatization of the CSU came out last week. There will be a rolling strike vote occurring from April 16 – 22. Thursday morning coffee sessions will be held for faculty to discuss the issues involved.
 - F. ASI Representative: none.
 - G. Caucus Chairs: none.
 - H. Other: none.
- IV. Consent Agenda: none.
- V. Business Item(s):
- A. **Approval of PCS senators:** Amie Hammond (2012-13) and Monica Schechter (2012-14) were approved to fill the two PCS vacancies.
 - B. **Resolution on Shared Governance:** The Faculty Affairs Committee took all the Executive Committee suggestions and drafted a new resolution. Ken Brown discussed these changes. Recommendations include additional wording to the *Constitution of the Faculty* and will require a faculty referendum. Minor revisions were suggested. A 2/3 vote by the Senate will be required to pass the resolution. Agendized for the April 10 Senate meeting.
 - C. **Resolution on For Profit Course Material Sites:** Rachel Fernflores, Al Liddicoat, and Adrienne Miller gave background information on the several for profit sites that sell course notes and exams to students. The resolution acknowledges the problem and recommends that guidelines be published informing students that the use of these sites is a violation of the student code of conduct. Foroohar made a motion to add a resolved clause stating “faculty shall discuss this issue with their students at the beginning of each quarter.” M/S/F. Agendized for the April 10 Senate meeting.
 - D. **Academic Senate and University committee vacancies for 2012-13:** Moved to the next Executive Committee meeting on April 17.
- VI. Discussion Item(s):
- A. **WASC site team visit on April 3-5:** (Giberti) The majority of the team visit will take place on April 3rd and 4th. Its report should be received within four to six weeks. The entire process will be complete on June 13 2012.
 - B. **CONFIDENTIAL: naming of building:** Proposals for the naming of buildings are confidential and do not appear in these minutes.
- VII. Adjournment: 5:09pm

Submitted by,



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