



Minutes of the Academic Senate Executive Committee

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

1-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

- I. Minutes: M/S/P the approval of the November 8, 2016 and November 15, 2016 minutes.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): Gary Laver, Academic Senate Chair, presented data acquired from Retreat Activity 2 – Investment of New Resources, which will be sent to President Armstrong. The report is available at <http://content-calpoly-edu.s3.amazonaws.com/academicsenate/1/documents/Retreat%202016-%20Activity%202%20-%20Investment%20of%20New%20Resources.pdf>.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair (Laver): none.
 - B. President's Office (Darin): none.
 - C. Provost (Enz Finken): Kathleen Enz Finken, Provost, reported that Dean Debra Larson has accepted her position as Provost at CSU Chico, and a search for the new College of Engineering Dean will be under way. The two dean searches for the College of Science and Math and the Orfalea College of Business are also in process, with new deans expected to start no later than Fall 2017.
 - D. Statewide Senate (LoCascio/Foroohar): Manzar Foroohar, Statewide Senator, reported on the upcoming second reading of a resolution on Academic Freedom Policy.
 - E. CFA (Archer): none.
 - F. ASI (Colombini/Nilsen): Jana Colombini, ASI President, reported a vacancy in her cabinet for the ASI Secretary of Student Life position. Riley Nilsen, ASI Chair of the Board, presented on the potential changes to the filing fee and restrictions on campaign spending for students running for ASI positions.
- IV. Business Item(s):
 - A. Approval of John Hagen from the Chemistry & Biochemistry Department to the CSM caucus for winter quarter 2017. M/S/P to approve the appointment.
 - B. Appointments to the Program Review Task Force. M/S/P to approve the slate of the following people to the Program Review Task Force:
Amy Robbins, Academic Programs & Planning
Peter Livingston, BioResource & Agricultural Engineering Department
Stern Neill, Orfalea College of Business
 - B.1. Vacancies for 2016-2018 Academic Senate Committees. M/S/P to approve Kelly Main's appointment to the Grants Review Committee as the College of Architecture and Environmental Design representative for the 2016-2017 term.
 - C. Resolution in Support of Cal Poly's Undocumented Community. Sarah Bridger, Senator, presented on a resolution requesting the Academic Senate to affirm its support for undocumented members of the Cal Poly community, in compliance with the Chancellor's directive. The resolution also asks that the Academic Senate request the Cal Poly administration, in collaboration with the Undocumented Student Working Group, to seek new and expanded forms of support for Cal Poly's undocumented community in preparation for shifts in federal immigration policy. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.

- D. Resolution on Request for Outside Review. Paul Choboter, Senator, presented on a resolution requesting the Cal Poly administration to develop a protocol for conducting exit interviews, in which outside entities are invited to conduct reviews of resignations from Cal Poly's Black staff as well as other underrepresented groups. The resolution also requests that the results from these reviews are shared with the Academic Senate and unions representing staff, and that recruitment and retention strategies are developed in response to the reviews. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.
- E. Resolution on Proposing New Courses or Other Changes to Curricula. Glen Thorncroft, Senator, presented on a resolution reaffirming that the development of curriculum and instruction are under the purview of the faculty, and that only current faculty may propose new courses or changes to curricula through the curriculum committee of the appropriate academic department or associated college. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.
- F. Resolution on Academic Standards for Masters Degree. Richard Savage, Dean of Graduate Education, presented on a resolution proposing that the number of units designed for graduate study be raised from 50% to 60% of the units required for the degree. Discussion will continue at the next Executive Committee meeting.

V. Adjournment: 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise Hensley", written over a horizontal line.

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