Minutes of the Academic Senate
Tuesday, November 14, 2017
UU 220, 3:10 to 5:00 pm

I. Minutes: M/S/P to approve the October 24, 2017 minutes of the Academic Senate.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): Dustin Stegner, Academic Senate Chair, introduced Margaret Bodemer, History Department, who is returning as the part-time academic representative to the Academic Senate.

III. Reports:
A. Academic Senate Chair: none.
B. President’s Office: none.
C. Provost: none.
D. Vice President for Student Affairs (Campbell): Jo Campbell, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs and Executive Director of University Housing, reported that Student Affairs is working with Cal Poly Corporation on how students with meal plans can give back to students in need and address hunger on campus. Campbell thanked all the faculty and staff who participated in Homecoming Weekend.
E. Statewide Senate: none.
F. CFA (Archer): Graham Archer, CFA President, reported that the two-year contract extension has been ratified, with 70% of Cal Poly members voting and 90% voting in favor.
G. ASI: none.

IV. Special Report:
A. University Update and First Generation STEM Challenge. Jeffrey Armstrong, Cal Poly President, reported on the over-enrollment of first-year students in the 2017-2018 Academic Year due to the removal of Early Decision practices on campus. There was an increase of 33% in the number of underrepresented minorities on campus as well as a 25% increase in the number of first-generation students. The university is furthering its efforts in diversity and sustainability. With regards to the Master Plan, the 45-day comment period for the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) draft is open and the Master Plan will be sent to the CSU Board of Trustees in March 2018. President Armstrong presented on the First Generation STEM Challenge that is focused on admitting more first-generation students in STEM fields to Cal Poly, providing them with financial aid and scholarship in order to attend, and enhancing advising for their retention. The report is available for view at https://content-calpoly-edu.s3.amazonaws.com/academicsenate/1/images/UnivUpdate_STEM_Challenge.pdf.

V. Consent Agenda:
The following items were approved by consent: BMED 422 Medical Device Evaluation and the FDA Approval Process (4) and ME/BMED/KINE 409 Interdisciplinary Study in Biomechanics (4).

VI. Business Items:
A. Resolution on Graduate Blended Program Policies: Gregory Bohr, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, and Richard Savage, Dean of Graduate Education, proposed a resolution updating the policy on Blended Programs. M/S/P to move to a first reading. M/S/P to move to a second reading. M/S/F to approve the proposed amendment. M/S/F to table the discussion until the Senior Project Task Force reports to the senate. M/S/F to approve the resolution.

B. Resolution on Kinesiology Department Name Change to Department of Kinesiology and Public Health: Kris Jankovitz, Kinesiology Department Chair, proposed a resolution to change the department name of Kinesiology to Kinesiology and Public Health. M/S/P to move to a first reading. The resolution will return as a second reading.
C. **Resolution on Retiring Obsolete Resolutions:** Gary Laver, Statewide Senator, proposed a resolution requesting an addition to the *Bylaws of the Academic Senate* to retire senate resolutions that become obsolete. **M/S/P to a second reading.**

D. **Resolution to Modify the Terms of Office on the Bylaws of the Academic Senate:** Gary Laver, Statewide Senator, proposed a resolution to modify the Terms of Office on the *Bylaws of the Academic Senate* to allow a one-year or less appointed or one-year elected term to not count towards the four year limit. **M/S/P to a first reading.** The resolution will return as a second reading.

VII. **Adjournment:** 5:00 P.M.

Submitted by,

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