Meeting of the Academic Senate Executive Committee

Tuesday, February 21, 2023
38-114, 3:10 to 5:00pm

I. Minutes: January 31, 2023 (pp. 2-3)

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):

III. Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair:
   B. President’s Office:
   C. Provost:
   D. Statewide Senate:
   E. CFA:
   F. ASI:

IV. Business Item(s):
   A. Appointment of James Mealy, CENG, to fill the CENG vacancy on the Academic Senate for the 2021-2023 term
   B. Appointment of John Oliver, CENG, to fill the CENG vacancy on the Academic Senate for the 2023-2025 term
   C. Appointment of Enrica Costello, CLA to fill the CLA vacancy on the Academic Senate for the 2022-2024 term
   D. Appointment of Gabriel Soldatenko, CLA, to fill the CLA vacancy on the Academic Senate for the 2023-2025 term
   E. Approval of Sonia Ramrakhiani, CSM, as substitute for Andrea Somoza-Norton on the Academic Senate for Spring quarter 2023
   F. Approval of Addison Maerz, OCOB, as substitute for Chris Hydock on the Academic Senate for the 2023-2024 Academic Year

V. Discussion Item(s):
   A. [TIME CERTAIN: 3:15 P.M.] Master of Business Administration Specialization in Graphic Communication Document Systems: Benjamin Alexander, Director, MBA Programs, Orfalea College of Business (p. 4)

VI. Adjournment:

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I. Minutes: January 10, 2023 (pp. 2-3) M/S/P to approve minutes from January 10, 2023.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none

III. Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair: Tom Gutierrez, Academic Senate Chair, discussed that they are still looking for a faculty at large for the CAED, and executive members can expect to receive an e-vote about the topic. Gutierrez thanked all the nominations for the senate voting and asked that CLA nominate a few more names. PCS could also use more nominees.

   B. President’s Office: Cheryl May, Representative from the President’s Office, announced Cal poly has exceed application numbers with over 71,000 for Fall 2023. Cal Poly expects to be at or above the expected enrollment. Multiple students and clubs have been recognized by the state government for their accomplishments.

   C. Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs: Cheryl May, representative of the Provost Office, announced that applications for 2023 internship opened. Cal Poly is hosting an internal competition on Feb 24th and 25th to identify which projects will represent campus at the CSU research event.

   D. Statewide Senate: Gary Laver, Statewide Senate Representative, reminded that there are 3 different speaking opportunities that are intended to find next chancellor. Statewide senate’s committee to make a short list for next faculty trustee, will be up soon, to present possibilities.

   E. CFA: Lisa Kawamura, CFA Representative, reported that they had the town hall on the quarter-semester switch last week, and questions were raised about funds for tenured and lecturing faculty.

   F. ASI: Gracie Babatola, ASI President, announced that she was with the President at the capital and was glad she was able to see the students be recognized. Gracie also spoke about how there are some rumors about why Cal Poly is choosing to switch to semesters.

IV. Business Item(s):
A. Approval of Scott Johnston (CSM) as substitute for Matt Beekman for Winter Quarter 2023
   M/S/P to approve of Scott Johnston (CSM) as substitute for Matt Beekman for Winter Quarter 2023

B. Appointment of Ashraf Tubeileh as a CAFES representative on the General Education Governance Board for the 2022-2025 term
   M/S/P to appoint Ashraf Tubeileh as a CAFES representative on the General Education Governance Board for the 2022-2025 term.

C. Appointment of Leyla Cabugos as the PCS representative on the Academic Assessment Council for the 2020-2023 term
   M/S/P to appoint Leyla Cabugos as the PCS representative on the Academic Assessment Council for the 2020-2023 term.

D. [TIME CERTAIN 3:30 P.M.] Resolution on Graduate Curriculum for Semester Conversion:
   Greg Bohr, Academic Senate Curriculum Committee Chair
   M/S/P to agendize the Resolution on Graduate Curriculum for Semester Conversion.

E. Resolution on the General Faculty Status of Part Time Lecturers: Steve Rein, Academic Senate Statewide Senator (pp. 10-11)
   M/S/P to agendize the Resolution on the General Faculty Status of Part Time Lecturers.

V. Discussion Item(s):

VI. Adjournment: 4:44 pm
Date: 13 February 2023

To: Cynthia Jackson-Elmore, Provost

From: Damon M. Fleming, Dean

CC: Derek Gragson, Andrew Morris, Angela Standifer, Tom Gutierrez, Daniel Parsons, Bruce Greenbaum, Colleen Twomey, Philip Williams, Jennifer Teramoto Pedrotti, Amanda Lathrop

Subject: Suspension of the Graphic Communication Document Systems Management Specialization

I request suspension of the Graphic Communication Documents Systems Management Specialization of the Master of Business Administration (MBA).

1. Summary of consultation with faculty. The MBA Programs Director (Benjamin Alexander) consulted with the Chair of the Graphic Communication Department (Colleen Twomey), the Orfalea Graduate Programs Committee (Mahdi Rastad, Taryn Stanko, Ajay Kathuria, Aric Shafran, Cindy Wang, and David Chamberlain), Orfalea Associate Dean for Programs and Learning (Bruce Greenbaum), and College of Liberal Arts Dean (Phillip Williams). All parties consulted support suspension of the specialization.

2. Summary of main reasons for the proposed suspension:
   - Lack of enrollment. No students are currently completing this specialization. One student who accidentally selected this specialization has filed to change to the general MBA specialization using a Postbaccalaureate Change of Objective form. The last student (of three total) to complete this specialization graduated in 2017. No students have completed any coursework in this specialization for more than five years.
   - Relevance. The MBA program does not currently offer any other specializations. Curricular development has unified the MBA program curriculum and eliminated relevance of the specialization.
   - Applicant confusion. The automated presence of the specialization on Cal State Apply has generated confusion for MBA program applicants.

3. Effective Date of Suspension: Spring 2023.

4. Teach out: No teach out is required based on the information above.