

ACADEMIC SENATE
Of
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, CA

AS-539-00/EC
RESOLUTION ON
BYLAWS CHANGE: ELECTION OF ACADEMIC SENATE OFFICERS

1 Background: The office of Academic Senate Chair is elected annually with the average length
2 of service being two years. Since each new Chair comes to the position untrained and
3 unsuspecting, this resolution recommends the election of officers take place in winter quarter so
4 spring quarter can be used as a period of orientation to the duties, responsibilities, and
5 requirements of the position before officially taking office. Therefore, be it
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7 RESOLVED: That Articles **m.B** and IV.C of the *Bylaws of the Academic Senate* be modified as
8 follows:
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10 **m. ELECTION PROCEDURES**

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12 Elections shall be held for membership to the Academic Senate, Senate offices, statewide
13 Academic Senate, Grants Review Committee, appropriate recall elections for the
14 preceding as per Section IX of these Bylaws, and ad hoc committees created to search for
15 such university positions as president, provost, vice presidents, college deans, and similar
16 type administrative positions.
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19 **B. ELECTION CALENDAR**

20 ~~1. At the first January meeting of the Senate, impending vacancies in the~~
21 ~~following memberships shall be announced: (a) campus Academic Senate~~
22 ~~(according to the filled full time equivalent faculty positions for the~~
23 ~~previous fall quarter as determined by the university Human Resources~~
24 ~~office), (b) statewide Academic Senate, and (3) Grants Review~~
25 ~~Committee. At the same time, each caucus chair shall be notified in~~
26 ~~writing of its vacancies.~~

27 ~~2. By Friday of the following week, each caucus chair shall notify the Senate~~
28 ~~office, in writing, of any discrepancies in the number of vacancies in its~~
29 ~~constituency.~~

30 During the third ~~first~~ week of ~~January~~ ~~winter quarter~~, the Academic
31 Senate office shall solicit nominations _____ vacancies
32 ~~for the next academic year. At the same time, each caucus chair shall~~
33 ~~be notified in writing of such vacancies. By Friday of the following~~
34 ~~week, each caucus chair shall notify the Senate office, in writing, of~~
35 ~~any discrepancies in the number of vacancies in its constituency.~~

36 Accepted nominations shall include a signed statement of intent to serve

37 from the candidate. Eligibility to serve shall be determined for each
38 college and Professional Consultative Services.
39 Elections of senators shall be conducted during the last week of February
40 January. Any runoff elections, if needed, shall be conducted during the
41 following week
42 At the first Senate meeting in February after the conclusion of the
43 election, the names of all nominees, the dates of the elections (including a
44 runoff, if necessary), and the time and place at which ballots will be
45 counted shall be reported. . . .

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47 Election of Senate officers:

- 48 (a) at the April
49 Senate mee ees
50 of the Senate shall be solicited for the offices of chair, vice chair,
51 and secretary of the Senate.
52 (b) a petition of nomination signed by three senators which includes
53 a consent to serve statement signed by the nominee shall be
54 received by the Senate office. Such petitions shall be due at the
55 Senate office OBe week before the May last
56 REGULARLY SCHEDULED Senate meeting of the Senate
57 winter quarter. The names of the eligible nominees shall be
58 announced in the agenda for the May at the last REGULARLY
59 SCHEDULED Senate meeting of the Senate winter quarter.
60 (c) nominations for other eligible candidates will be received from
61 the floor of the Senate provided that (1) at least two senators
62 second the nominations, and (2) the nominee is present and
63 agrees to serve if elected.
64 (d) the vice chair of the Senate shall conduct the election of Senate
65 officers at the regular May
66 Senate meeting of the Senate winter quarter. Officers shall be
67 elected one at a time: first the chair, then the vice chair, and
68 finally the secretary.
69 (e) in the event of a vacancy in the offices of the Senate, an election
70 will be conducted at the next meeting of the Senate to fill the
71 unexpired term. Nominations shall be made from the floor of the
72 Senate in compliance with subsection (c) above.

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74 IV. OFFICERS

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76 C. TERMS OF OFFICE

77 Each officer shall be elected by the voting members of the Senate for a one-year
78 term. These elections shall be held in May at the last REGULARLY
79 SCHEDULED Senate meeting of winter quarter and terms of office shall
80 begin with the start of summer quarter. The only limitations to the number of
81 terms that a senator may hold office are the eligibility requirements in Article IIA
82 of these Bylaws and the terms of office restrictions in Article II.B of these Bylaws.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Executive Committee
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Memorandum

ACADEMIC SENATE

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Chair, Academic Senate

Date: September 22, 2000

From: 
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President

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Subject: Response to Academic Senate Resolution *AS-539-00IEC*
Resolution on Bylaws Change: Election of Academic Senate Officers

I acknowledge receipt of the above-entitled Academic Senate Resolution.