I. Minutes: Approval of Academic Senate minutes for the meetings of November 13 and November 27, 2012 (pp. 2-5).

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

III. Regular Reports:
A. Academic Senate Chair:
B. President's Office:
C. Provost:
D. Vice President for Student Affairs:
E. Statewide Senate:
F. CFA:
G. ASI:

IV. Special Reports:

V. Consent Agenda:

VI. Business Items(s):
A. Resolution on Academic Senate Response to the Semesters Review Task Force Report:
   Executive Committee, first reading (sent separately).

B. Resolution on Voting Status for Student Representatives to the Academic Senate:
   Executive Committee, second reading (pp. 6-8).

VII. Discussion Item(s):

VIII. Adjournment:
I. Minutes: the minutes of October 23 were approved as presented.

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

III. Regular Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair: Rein reported that there is a fair amount of concern on the part of some faculty on the issue of semester review. Starting last year, President Armstrong and the Provost have been meeting with faculty member to discuss this issue. In addition, President Armstrong has been serving on a CSU level task force discussing whether individual campuses on quarters should convert to semesters. The Semester Review Task Force is on track to submit a report by the end of fall quarter. President Armstrong will be attending the January 8 Senate meeting to discuss the report and the senate will have the opportunity to develop a resolution and vote on whether or not to support the report.

   B. President’s Office: none.

   C. Provost: Enz Finken reported that budget and enrollment planning for next year will begin soon. There is a strong likelihood that Cal Poly will be asked to enroll more students as a result of Prop 30. In addition, Dr. Richard Savage, professor of Materials Engineering, has been named Director of Graduate Education. Dr. Savage will begin his new role on a part-time base during winter quarter and transition to full time summer 2013.

   D. Vice Provost for Student Affairs: Allen reported that the search for a new Vice President for Student Affairs continues. Please contact Stephan Lamb, chair of the search committee and Al Liddicoat with feedback. University housing is engaged in a study to find out if students are interested in living on campus and what their needs are.

   E. Statewide Senate: Foroohar reported that she attended a three-day meeting in Long Beach where two issues dominated the discussions. The first issue is tuition and new fees for students who repeat courses and super seniors. A resolution in opposition was passed and CSU leaders postponed a vote on the proposed fees. The second issue is the directive to reduce programs to a maximum of 180-units. The implementation date has been postponed until fall of 2014 instead of January 2013. In addition, a resolution was passed stating that some programs cannot go down to 180 units. LoCascio added that with the passing of Prop 30, the CSU still has a $7 million deficit every year. The issues of health care cost, the 180-unit programs, and the $13 set aside were also discussed.

   F. CFA Campus President: Thorncroft reported that at the last chapter meeting, the possible conversion to semesters and the role of CFA in the process was discussed at great lengths. Thorncroft added that it is appropriate for the Senate to consider a
resolution that gives faculty time for informed debate and vote before a decision is made.

G. ASI Representative: Morrow reported that ASI will begin accepting applications for the position of ASI Executive Director on Thursday, November 15. ASI passed a resolution opposing the extra fees proposed by CSU to “super seniors” and students who take an extra heavy course load.


IV. Consent Agenda: none.

V. Business Item(s):
A. **Resolution on Possible Change to a Semester Calendar (Davol, CENG Senator and Rinzler, CLA Senator):** Rinzler presented the resolution, which request that President Armstrong delay a decision on whether to change from quarters to semesters until after the Senate has completed its consideration of the issue. **Resolution will return as a first reading item on November 27, 2012.**

B. **Resolution on Voting Status for Student Representatives to the Academic Senate (Executive Committee):** Due to lack of time, this resolution was postponed until November 27, 2012.

VI. Special reports
A. **Debbie Read, Vice President for University Advancement:** PowerPoint presentation is available at [http://www.academicsenate.calpoly.edu/content/meetings_calendar](http://www.academicsenate.calpoly.edu/content/meetings_calendar). The presentation is a summary of President Armstrong’s presentation to the Cal Poly’s Foundation at its last board meeting. Feedback should be submitted to Debbie Read, Steve Rein, or Margaret Camuso.

B. **Josh Machamer, Chair of the GE Governance Board:** Due to lack of time, this report was postponed until November 27, 2012.

VII. Discussion Item(s): none.

VIII. Adjournment: 5:00 pm

Submitted by,

Gladys Gregory
Academic Senate
Communication(s) and Announcement(s): Rein presented the following outline of events and timeframe discussed with President Armstrong regarding the Semester Review Task Force Report.

- **Report out mid-December**
- **Senators and all other faculty members should read the report**
- **President Armstrong: Special Senate Meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2013 (3-5pm in Bonderson 197-104)**
  - Senators should submit questions in advance so that we can make sure that no commonly raised questions or issues are overlooked
  - Follow-up questions from the floor (as we go)
  - President will give candid responses as he has in the past
- **Senators encouraged to give information to and have discussion with the units you were elected to represent.** Caucus chairs should give reports to those units without formal representatives
- **Senators again encouraged to get careful feedback from departments before voting**
- **February 12, 2013 2nd reading and presumably a vote on resolution**
  - Amendments to the proposed resolution which are made in writing prior to the Friday will be considered before amendments from the floor

Reports:

A. Academic Senate Chair: none.
B. President’s Office: Kinsley reported that Chancellor Reed’s last day is December 7, 2012 and from December 8 until the 30, the administrator in charge will be Executive Vice Chancellor Ben Quillian. Chancellor White’s first day will be December 31. Dr. Keith Humphrey from the University of Arizona will join Cal Poly in February 2013 as the new Vice President for Student Affairs.
C. Provost: none.
D. Vice Provost for Student Affairs: Marty Bragg, Director of Health & Counseling Services, reported that funding has been received for three additional counselors to assist with the demand for services and additional programming on mental health issues and suicide prevention for the faculty. Health & Counseling Services has experienced an increase of 30% more students, 30% more visits, and 70% more crises. Please check the website for resources or call 756-2511 for information.
E. Statewide Senate: LoCascio reported that a senator from Cal Poly Pomona has offered to chair a statewide committee to look into the possible quarter conversion.
F. CFA Campus President: Thornecroft submitted the following report:

1. **Last Semester Review Task Force Open Forum**
The third and final open forum of the Semester Review Task Force was held Thursday, November 29, 12-2pm, in the Left Wing of the Chumash Auditorium.
The task force is still taking input via e-mail, here is their information: Graham Archer (garcher@calpoly.edu), David Clague (dclague@calpoly.edu), Rachel FernFlores (rfernflo@calpoly.edu), Derek Gragson (dgragson@calpoly.edu), Gary Laver
2. Cal Poly Coach Bonus Plan Withdrawn
The CSU and CFA were preparing to negotiate the Cal Poly "Intercollegiate Athletics Coaches Bonus Plan," which would have provided salary bonuses for coaches based on the performance of their student-athletes during competition over the year. CFA is involved because the coaches affected by the program are represented under Unit 3 (CFA). As a result, the proposed bonus plan is a contractual issue between CFA and the CSU and is therefore subject to bargaining. CFA-SLO and the CSU were preparing bargaining talks to begin late this quarter. However, in an e-mail dated November 14, James Czaja, Senior Manager for Labor and Employee Relations for the CSU, announced that "The campus has decided not implement the coach bonus plan."

G. ASI Representative: Morrow reported that Executive Director Rick Johnson will be retiring on January 3 and Marcy Maloney, ASI Director of Programs, will be taking over as interim executive director. ASI completed an outreach campaign regarding the possible quarter to semester conversion, separate from the Semester Review Task Force to gather information on students’ concerns. ASI is working on a web database where students can go for on- and off-campus resources including links to information on landlord rights, how to register to vote, to alcoholic anonymous. ASI report on possible semester conversion has been submitted to the Semester Review Task Force. The report was not very conclusive. There was not a majority student opinion, but rather a wide spectrum of opinions.

IV. Special Reports:
A. Josh Machamer, Chair of the GE Governance Board: Presentation is available at: http://www.academiconsenate.calpoly.edu/sites/academiconsenate.wcms.calpoly.edu/files/minutes/12-13_minutes/112712_ge_assessment.pdf

V. Consent Agenda: none.

VI. Business Item(s):
A. Resolution on Possible Change to a Semester Calendar (Davol, CENG Senator and Rinzler, CLA Senator): Rinzler presented the resolution, which requests that President Armstrong delay a decision on whether to change from quarters to semesters until after the Senate has completed its consideration of the issue. M/S/P to approve the resolution.

B. Resolution on Voting Status for Student Representatives to the Academic Senate (Executive Committee): Rein presented the resolution, which would allow the Academic Senate to propose a revision to the Constitution of the Faculty to include the President of the Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) and the Chair of the ASI Board of Directors, or designees as ex officio voting members. Resolution will return as a second reading item.

VII. Discussion Item(s): none.

VIII. Adjournment: 4:55 pm

Submitted by,
Gladys Gregory
Academic Senate
WHEREAS, The President of the Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) and the Chair of the ASI Board of Directors are nonvoting student representatives to the Academic Senate and the Academic Senate Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, Students are greatly affected by the decisions and policies adopted by the Academic Senate of Cal Poly; and

WHEREAS, Students comprise the largest constituency at Cal Poly and are the end beneficiaries of its curriculum and all other academic matters; and

WHEREAS, Student input has proved valuable and has informed the Academic Senate of student opinion on matters affecting Cal Poly; and

WHEREAS, 19 of the 23 CSU campus Senates have acknowledged the value of student input by granting their student representatives voting status; and

WHEREAS, the granting of voting status to students on the Academic Senate recognizes their role as co-creators of their academic environment and increases their accountability for said environment; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly send to the General Faculty a proposed revision of Article III.1. "d" and "e" of the current Constitution of the Faculty to include the President of the Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) and the Chair of the ASI Board of Directors, or designees thereof, as ex officio voting student representatives on the Academic Senate.

Proposed by: The Academic Senate Executive Committee
Date: October 31 2012
ARTICLE III. THE ACADEMIC SENATE

Section 1. Membership

(a) Colleges with fewer than 30 faculty members shall elect two senators. All other colleges shall elect three senators, plus one senator for each 30 faculty members or major fraction thereof.

(b) Designated personnel in Professional Consultative Services (excepting directors) shall be represented in the Academic Senate by the formula of one senator per each fifteen members or major fraction thereof:

1. Full-time probationary or permanent Librarians; and

2. Full-time probationary or permanent (a) counselors; (b) student services professionals [SSP]: SSP I-academically related, SSP II-academically related, and SSP III-academically related; (c) SSPs III and IV; (d) Cooperative Education lecturers; and (e) physicians.

3. Full-time coaches holding a current faculty appointment of at least one year.

(c) Part-time lecturers in an academic department/teaching area and part-time employees in Professional Consultative Services, other than those who are members of the General Faculty as defined in Article I, will be represented by one voting member in the Senate.

(d) Senators acting in an at-large capacity are the current Academic Senate Chair, the immediate Past Academic Senate Chair, and the CSU academic senators. All at-large positions shall be voting positions except for the Academic Senate Chair which is a nonvoting position except when the Chair’s vote is needed to break a tie. The ASI President and the Chair of the ASI Board of Directors are voting positions.

(e) Ex officio, nonvoting members are (1) the President of the University or designee, (2) the Provost or designee, (3) one representative from among the academic deans, (4) the ASI President, (5) the Chair of the ASI Board of Directors, and (6) the Vice President for Student Affairs.
## SENATES IN THE CSU THAT INCLUDE/DO NOT INCLUDE STUDENT VOTING

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RESOLUTION ON THE SEMESTER REVIEW TASK FORCE FINDINGS

WHEREAS, At the Nov 27, 2012 meeting the Academic Senate passed a resolution requesting the President delay any decision on conversion from quarters to semesters until after the Academic Senate considers and votes on the issue; and

WHEREAS, The Semester Review Task Force Report (with appendices, available at http://president.calpoly.edu/semesterreview/) estimates the cost of the conversion to semesters, financially, to be considerable; and

WHEREAS, The Semester Review Task Force Report summary of the merits and demerits of both quarters and semesters does not clearly indicate whether a conversion to semesters would overall be more beneficial or harmful, and that the benefits of and efforts to achieve conversion would likely be very uneven across campus units; and

WHEREAS, Many benefits attached to converting to semesters, (e.g. transformation of our curriculum) can be achieved without conversion; and

WHEREAS, A conversion to semesters will likely increase the time to achieve many high-priority goals for the University; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate endorse the Semester Review Task Force Recommendation Report, in particular the recommendation that Cal Poly not pursue a conversion from a quarter to a semester calendar; and be it further

RESOLVED That the Academic Senate requests that the President share the Semester Review Task Force report along with this resolution to the Chancellor for due consideration by the Chancellor.

Proposed by: The Academic Senate Executive Committee

Date: