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**MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE**  
**Tuesday, January 18, 2005**  
**UU220, 3:10 to 4:45pm**

- I. Minutes: Approval of minutes for the Academic Senate meetings of November 16 and November 30, 2004 (pp. 2-5).
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):  
**CURRICULUM PROPOSALS:** Following the practice implemented in previous years, summaries of all program changes and course proposals sent by the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee to the Senate for consideration are posted on the web. The URL for curriculum proposals is: [www.calpoly.edu/~acadprog/curriculum/summary\\_dir2005.html](http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadprog/curriculum/summary_dir2005.html)  
Every senator is expected to review these proposals as well as the accompanying recommendations of the Curriculum Committee.  
  
**REGARDING COURSE/PROGRAM CHANGE PROPOSALS:** If any senator wishes to have a particular course/program change brought before the Senate (see web postings), then that request **must be made in writing or emailed to the Academic Senate ([mcamuso@calpoly.edu](mailto:mcamuso@calpoly.edu)) by Monday, January 31, 2005.** For all such requests, hard copies of the proposal will be made and distributed to all senators at the February 8, 2005 meeting. At the February 8 meeting, all proposals not pulled by request will be on the Consent Agenda. Those pulled will be treated as second reading items; i.e., they will be discussed and voted upon.
- III. Reports:
  - A. Academic Senate Chair:
  - B. President's Office:
  - C. Provost's Office:
  - D. Statewide Senators:
  - E. CFA Campus President:
  - F. ASI Representatives:
  - G. Other:  
**Cornel Morton: Report on student use and abuse of alcohol**  
**Dee Ann Wells: PolyProgress update**  
**Andrew Schaffner: New registration procedures update**  
**Susan Elrod: Curriculum process**
- IV. Consent Agenda:
- V. Business Item(s):  
**Resolution on Accessibility to Information Technology Resources: Bailey/Fryer/ Hanley, first reading (pp. 6-7).**
- VI. Discussion Item(s):
- VII. Adjournment: 4:45pm

**[At 4:45 time certain, the Academic Senate Executive Committee will be meeting in closed session. All but Executive Committee members please adjourn as quickly as possible.]**

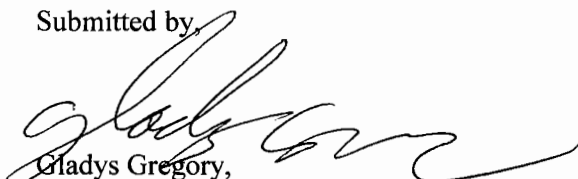
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**MINUTES OF**  
**The Academic Senate**  
**Tuesday, November 16, 2004**  
**UU220, 3:00 to 5:00 pm**

- I. Minutes: The minutes of the Academic Senate meeting of October 26, 2004, were approved as presented.
- II. Communications and Announcements: **Curriculum proposals** – process for the approval of curriculum proposals will be the same as the last two cycles. Please notify the Academic Senate Office of any proposals needing further discussion, by November 22, so that they may be pulled from the consent agenda.
- III. Reports:
  - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Hannings) A Social Hour, sponsored by the President's Office, will be held on Thursday, November 18 at the President's house from 4-6pm.
  - B. President's Office: (Howard-Greene) The CSU Trustees are meeting in Long Beach this week and will have an update later in the week.
  - C. Provost's Office: (Detweiler) Enrollment continues to be a challenge for Cal Poly since we took an additional 1.85% enrollment on behalf of the CSU system. Cal Poly needs to add 200 transfer students during winter and spring quarters in order to meet the enrollment target, otherwise, the budget may be cut and adjustments will need to be made in 2006. Summer quarter will be build up to 25% of fall quarter because we can't qualify for additional instruction facilities unless we demonstrate that we are using facilities year around. Additionally we don't have enough classrooms or labs to accommodate the projected enrollment growth at Cal Poly without including summer program. There are a number of searches going on including the Athletics' Director, Dean for College of Liberal Arts, Provost, and Dean for the College of Engineering. A major challenge for the University is the difficulty with the inflation and construction cost which have been going up at an alarming rate. Projects under construction include the Student Housing North, which is huge, the Faculty-Staff Housing, the University Union and Recreation Center expansion, a major expansion of the Mustang stadium, Engineering III and IV, renovation of Engineering and Architecture current facilities, and a new science center. Funding and plans are available for the Technology Park. (Ikeda) The new registration process is going well. Currently there are 564 wait lists consisting of 3,000 students but we don't know exactly how many students there are since one student could be on multiple lists. When open enrollment begins, registration will allow for up to 22 units and the issue at that time will be to educate students to drop themselves from the wait-lists.
  - D. Statewide Senators: (Menon) Senator Wes Gonzales was present at the last meeting and his message stated that he is very worried about the compact and whether the Governor is able to meet his obligations. His message to the Senate was that faculty as a body needs to be more militant in order to be heard in Sacramento. The Chancellor and his office staff remain confident that the governor will likely continue his message without new taxes but instead head towards revenue enhancements. There has been a small improvement toward graduation rates and progress to degree but it is not significant. A resolution of commendation on the voter registration efforts by student was moved to a second reading and passed. (Manzar) The Faculty Affairs Committee has been discussing and creating resolution on academic freedom of faculty and students alike. A resolution passed last spring, which provides for academic freedom for faculty and it's supported by AAUP, it's being discussed again and has been presented to the statewide for first reading. The resolution is requesting local discussions on academic freedom on each campus to educate the faculty and student. The biggest difference between last year's resolution and the one being discussed now deals with the issue of hiring criteria for new faculty which should be based exclusively on professional standards only.

- E. CFA Campus President: (Foroohar) Cal Poly will be the only campus where faculty will teach summer quarter based on full pay based on 12 units not 15 units.
  - F. ASI Representatives: (Mednick) the results of the survey will be available on Thursday, November 18, 2004.
  - G. Other: None.
- IV. Consent Agenda: Curriculum course proposals for the College of Liberal Arts and College of Architecture and Environmental Design were approved as presented.
- V. Business Item(s):
- A. **Resolution on Revision to the *Bylaws of the Academic Senate to Update the Responsibilities for the Research and Professional Development Committee*:** Giberti, chair of the Research and Professional Development Committee, second reading. This resolution updates the responsibilities and charge of the committee by clarifying the language and deleting items that are obsolete. M/S/P to modify the resolution as follows:
    - I. Committee Descriptions
      - 10. b. (2) Make recommendations concerning all policies and procedures for research and professional development activities on campus.M/S/P to approve resolution.
  - B. **Resolution on Revision to the *Bylaws of the Academic Senate to Update the Procedures for the Faculty Dispute Review Committee*:** Rinzler, chair of the Faculty Dispute Review Committee. Second reading. This resolution amends the committee's charge and procedures. M/S/P to approve resolution.
  - C. **Resolution in Support of Affordable Textbooks:** Hannings, Academic Senate Chair. First reading. This resolution supports the CSU in requesting that college textbook publishers keep the cost of producing textbooks low, faculty members informed of options and their cost, and that a copy of the resolution be forward to the Association of American Publishers, Chancellor Reed, and the California Student Public Interest Research Group (CALPIRG). After some discussion it was decided to table the resolution until ASI presents their resolution in regards to this issue. M/S/P to table resolution.
  - D. **Resolution on Establishment of an Institute for Policy Research:** Valenty, Political Science Department. First reading. This resolution requests that the Academic Senate endorse the proposal to establish the Institute for Policy Research, which will promote excellence in policy research design and implementation. M/S/F to move resolution to second reading. Resolution will return as a second reading item at the next Academic Senate meeting.
- VI. Discussion Item(s):
- A. **New Registration Procedures:** Due to lack of time this item will be addressed at the next Academic Senate Executive meeting.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Submitted by,

  
Gladys Gregory,  
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**MINUTES OF**  
**The Academic Senate**  
**Tuesday, November 30, 2004**  
**UU220, 3:00 to 5:00 pm**

- I. Minutes: None.
- II. Communications and Announcements: None.
- III. Reports:
  - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Hannings) A Social Hour, sponsored by the College of Agriculture, will be held on Thursday, December 2 at Vista Grande from 4-6pm. The University Committee on Committees has decided to set up a committee titled Committee on University Citizenship (CUCIT). Harvey Greenwald will be the chair's designee to the committee. An additional faculty representative needs to be appointed by December 6, 2004. The charge of this committee is to explore issues and make policy recommendations related to the preservation and ongoing development of vital, effective tradition of university citizenship.
  - B. President's Office: (Howard-Greene) CSU Trustees met earlier in the month where one of the documents presented to them was an extensive report of direct and indirect impacts of the CSU on the state of California. The intent of the reports is to get it out to as many constituencies of the university as possible and engage a number of them in a more active role in advocating for the university as a critical institution in the state. The report is available in various forms online. Various administrative searches are currently underway including a search for a Provost position to be filled by fall of 2005, Dean for the College of Liberal Arts and the College of Engineering, as well as search for an Athletics Director.
  - C. Provost's Office: (Dalton) Efforts to restore summer are moving ahead. A tentative course list will be posted by the end of the week. More information is available on the Academic Programs website.
  - D. Statewide Senators: None.
  - E. CFA Campus President: None.
  - F. ASI Representatives: (Mednick) the results of the survey which included over 4,400 respondents indicate that 98% of students believe that improvements of the ASI facilities will enhance the quality of life at Cal Poly and 66% expressed willingness to pay an additional fee to fund the following projects: renovation of the UU, expansion of the Rec. Center, and construction of a new large student facility. The next step is a resolution to the Board of Directors in support of the UU fee referendum which will be voted on tomorrow. Next Monday ASI members are meeting with the ASI president to work on a resolution for textbook pricing which will send to the ASI Board of Directors and then the Academic Senate.
  - G. Other: None.

- IV. Consent Agenda: is agreed to with the exception of Landscape Architecture Department proposal.
- V. Business Item(s):
- A. **Resolution on Establishment of an Institute for Policy Research:** Valenty, Political Science Department. Second reading. This resolution requests that the Academic Senate endorse the proposal to establish the Institute for Policy Research, which will promote excellence in policy research design and implementation. M/S/P to approve the resolution (unanimously).
- VI. Discussion Item(s):
- A. **New Registration Procedures:** Ikeda, from Academic Affairs. Registration process is going smoothly. At this time the average course load is 13.3 units, there are 866 wait-lists, 6,600 students on these lists, 1,100 students have automatically been enrolled into classes off the wait lists.
- B. **Academic Freedom:** Foroohar, Academic Senator. Statewide Academic Senate is discussing two resolutions on Academic Freedom. The Statewide Faculty Affairs Committee is working on revising these resolutions before the second reading so campus input is requested. Resolution AS-2675-04/FA "Reaffirmation of Academic Freedom" reaffirms the intent of a resolution passed last year with the addition of the process for hiring new faculty. Resolution AS-2676-04/AA "Academic Freedom for Students" Please send all suggestions to Manzar Foroohar.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 4:37 pm.

Submitted by,



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Adopted:

**ACADEMIC SENATE  
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**RESOLUTION ON ACCESSIBILITY TO  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES**

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The policy of The California State University (CSU) is to make its programs,  
2 services, and activities accessible to students, faculty, staff, and the general public  
3 with disabilities; and  
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- 5 **WHEREAS,** Accessibility to information technology resources—such as web-based materials,  
6 programs and services—is mandated by federal and state law, including Section  
7 508 of the U.S. Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Section 11135 of the California  
8 Government Code; and  
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- 10 **WHEREAS,** The CSU and its campuses (including Cal Poly) are required to comply with these  
11 laws, and it is the policy of the CSU to make information technology resources  
12 and services accessible to all CSU students, faculty, staff and the general public  
13 regardless of disability; and  
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- 15 **WHEREAS,** Executive Order 926 (<http://www.calstate.edu/EO/EO-926.html>), which went into  
16 effect on January 1, 2005, documents CSU policies on disability support and  
17 accommodation, including access to electronic resources, and delegates  
18 responsibility to campus presidents to develop plans for compliance; and  
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- 20 **WHEREAS,** Noncompliance may incur costly legal penalties and tougher sanctions against the  
21 University based on recent experiences by other California colleges and  
22 universities; and  
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- 24 **WHEREAS,** Cal Poly has committed existing resources to facilitate and support campus  
25 compliance. Information Technology Services, Robert E. Kennedy Library and  
26 the Disability Resource Center are coordinating efforts to identify and address  
27 individual needs to develop, implement and support resources for making campus  
28 information technologies more accessible; and

29 **WHEREAS,** CSU has established a system wide Center for Alternative Media to help expedite  
30 delivery of electronic texts (e-texts of instructional materials) to eligible CSU  
31 students with disabilities; and  
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33 **WHEREAS,** With the exception of mathematics and science textbooks, state law (AB 422)  
34 now requires publishers or manufacturers of printed instructional materials for  
35 students attending CSU to provide the same materials in an electronic format (at  
36 no charge to the University) to promote accessibility by students with disabilities;  
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39 **WHEREAS,** University administration and campus computing advisory committees (IRMPPC,  
40 AACC, IACC, SC3) have charged ITS with coordinating development of a  
41 framework to achieve campus compliance with respect to accessibility to  
42 information technology resources and services; therefore be it  
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44 **RESOLVED:** That the Academic Senate strongly endorse the value and benefit to Cal Poly of  
45 the University demonstrating leadership and taking an active role by directing its  
46 principal ITS and related resources to develop and implement a comprehensive  
47 program, policy framework, and schedule for ensuring campus compliance with  
48 CSU policy and existing law governing accessibility to campus information  
49 technology resources; and be it further  
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51 **RESOLVED:** That the program define the necessary campus-specific policies, standards,  
52 guidelines, procedures, and a reasonable timeframe to enable campus departments  
53 and employees to develop and implement compliant websites and digitized course  
54 materials and appropriate related digital and web accessible instructional and  
55 administrative services where compliant actions may be required; and be it further  
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57 **RESOLVED:** That the Academic Senate and affected campus constituent groups should be  
58 consulted on substantive changes to the program, policy framework, and timetable  
59 in the future and asked to endorse the results once this initial development and  
60 review process is concluded during the current academic year (2004/05).  
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Proposed by: William Bailey (Director, Employment  
Equity and Faculty Recruitment), Ann Fryer  
(Interim Director, Disability Resource  
Center), and Jerry Hanley (VP/CIO,  
Information Technology Services)

Date: December 14, 2004

Revised: January 7, 2005