

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California 93407
ACADEMIC SENATE

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, September 26, 2006
UU220, 3:00–5:00 p.m.

Preparatory: The meeting was opened at 3:15 p.m.

- I. Minutes: None
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):
 - A. Nominees for Faculty Trustee: Please send nominations to the Academic Senate Office by December 18, 2006.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Giberti) The first Academic Senate Retreat took place Friday, September 22, 2006 and was well attended and very productive. A special thanks to Frank Vuotto, Margaret Camuso, and Gladys Gregory for all their hard work in putting this event together. During the summer, President Baker called a meeting of the Deans to discuss the issue of faculty professional development. The President gave the Deans a list of charges to improve the climate for scholarship on campus.
 - B. President's Office: None.
 - C. Provost Office: (Durgin) Bob Detweiler will report at the next Academic Senate meeting on institutional priorities for 2005-2006.
 - D. Statewide Senators: (Hood) A CSU conference on student academic success will take place at LAX on October 19 and 20, 2006. It is important to send a good representative to serve on the committee to plan the successor to Cornerstones. (Foroohar) Statewide unanimously passed a resolution on academic review and transparency of CSU compensation. The CSU Administration has been asked to provide information on compensation packages offered to executives.
 - E. CFA Campus President: (Saenz) Currently, the biggest disagreement for the CSU and CFA bargaining teams is how SSI's should be paid for. An informational meeting will be held soon.
 - F. ASI Representative: (Samarin) ASI is still looking for a faculty representative to serve on the ASI Board of Directors.
 - G. Other: None
- IV. Consent Agenda:
 - A. **Approval of updated assigned time for 2006-2007: M/S/P to approve as presented.**
 - B. **Academic Senate committee appointments for 2006-2007: M/S/P to approve as presented.**
 - C. **University committee appointments for 2006-2007: None.**
 - D. **Appointment of remaining Senate committee chairs: None.**
- V. Business Items:

- A. **[CONFIDENTIAL] Naming of building:** M/S/P unanimously.
- B. **Appointment of parliamentarian for 2006-2007:** Giberti, I am looking for a long-term approach to appointing a parliamentarian. My first thought was to have the past chair serve in that capacity, but it was suggested that I consider this a training opportunity for a future leader.
- C. **Nomination of faculty member to the CSU committee reviewing a successor strategic planning initiative to Cornerstones:** Durgin, it is very important that Cal Poly be represented in this process. We should try to identify a person who is appointable. Giberti, submit the names of those interested in writing to bgiberti@calpoly.edu. Include a brief statement as to why they would be appropriate for this position.

VI. Discussion Item (s):

- A. **Restructuring Academic Senate and University committees.** Giberti, there are two parts to this problem: Senate committees and University committees. University committees are more numerous but they are technically not the Senate's problem. Another issue is the lack of linkage between the Academic Senate and the committees. This year each committee chair will make a report to the Senate during fall quarter to describe their charges for the year. Howard-Greene, there are quite a few University committees which vary in size and level of activities. Some arguably overlap and have the potential of merging with others. It has been a concern of the President to try to think of ways to streamline the committees and reduce their burden on faculty. A reasonable place to start is to look at every committee's statement of purpose.
- B. **Handling of resolutions.** Giberti, some procedural issues need to be addressed in order to avoid gutting resolutions at Academic Senate meetings. The Senate needs to decide if this warrants a change in the bylaws.
- C. **Should senators be responsible for providing reports (re Senate deliberations) to their departments/colleges?** Due to lack of time, this item will be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting.
- D. **Calendaring ExecCom and Senate meetings.** There is some confusion about the new Oracle Calendar System. In a Windows environment, you get two messages when a meeting is scheduled. The first message announces the meeting and the second asks for a confirmation. If you delete the request for confirmation, you delete the entry from your calendar. Tim Kearns will be invited to attend a meeting and provide us with some further details.

VII. Adjournment: meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

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