

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

AS-648-06

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR DAVID HANNINGS

- 1 WHEREAS, Dave Hannings has stoically survived the scrutiny of four ex-Chairs during his tenure as
2 Academic Senate Chair; and
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- 4 WHEREAS, He has graciously accepted vast amounts of unsolicited advice from said Chairs without
5 it affecting his decision making; and
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- 7 WHEREAS, Dave Hannings has spent his entire tenure as Chair searching for a Provost; and
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- 9 WHEREAS, Dave Hannings, a renowned expert in the “science of gardens,” was able to re-cultivate
10 debate from discussions of *hortus siccus* to *hortus excitus*; and
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- 12 WHEREAS, Dave Hannings did not adhere to the tie and jacket dress code of past Chairs, preferring
13 instead a more agricultural “field tested” look; and
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- 15 WHEREAS, One does not have to second guess what Dave Hannings might be thinking as it will
16 always be shared with the group; and
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- 18 WHEREAS, Dave Hannings has proved that you can chair the Academic Senate without referring to
19 Robert’s Rules of Order; and
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- 21 WHEREAS, Dave Hannings has enjoyed the good fortune of having a Vice Chair who knew the
22 names of all academic senators; and
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- 24 WHEREAS, Dave Hannings showed great gavel-restraint with the orations and verbosity common to
25 debate; and
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- 27 WHEREAS, Dave Hannings applied his horticultural expertise by cross pollinating good rapport with
28 the administration and incisive advocacy for faculty concerns; and
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- 30 WHEREAS, Dave Hannings has served Cal Poly tirelessly since 1974 as a respected member of his
31 department, his college, and the University; and
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- 33 WHEREAS, He has been active in the Academic Senate for over a decade serving as Curriculum
34 Committee chair, academic senator, and Academic Senate Chair; therefore be it
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- 36 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate express its sincere thanks and commend Dave Hannings for
37 his service as Chair of the Academic Senate; that a plaque be presented to him as a
38 symbol of appreciation for his leadership; and that he be recognized for his contributions
39 by placing a copy of this resolution in the minutes of the Academic Senate.

State of California
Memorandum

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To: David Hannings
Chair, Academic Senate

Date: June 19, 2006

From: Warren J. Baker
President

Copies: R. Detweiler

Subject: Response to Senate Resolution AS-648-06
Resolution on Commendation for David Hannings

David, I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of the above-entitled resolution of the Academic Senate and to express my appreciation to you for your contributions and hard work while serving as chair of the Academic Senate.