Minutes of the Academic Senate Executive Committee  
Tuesday, April 19, 2016  
01-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

I. Minutes: M/S/P to approve the Executive Committee minutes from March 29, 2016.

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

III. Reports:

A. Academic Senate Chair (Laver): The Chancellor’s Office has modified Executive Order 1100 indicating that a C-minus will count for credit.

B. President’s Office (Armstrong): The Baker Forum is set for the afternoon of Friday, May 6. The 4th Annual Green and Gold will take place the evening of Friday, May 6 to recognize Cal Poly’s leading donors and volunteers. The President took questions on topics such as commencement, budget, and shared governance.

C. Provost (Enz Finken): The proposal for the Master Plan is being created before it heads to the Chancellor’s Office. Brian Gnandt is the new Director of Equal Opportunity. The college open forums are working well for the faculty to voice their opinions to the President. We are reviewing tenure and promotion files, and thank you to everyone who participated in the reviews.

D. Statewide Senate: none.

E. CFA (Archer): none.

F. ASI (Monteverdi): none.

IV. Business Item(s):

A. Resolution on University-Wide Prompts for Student Evaluation of Instructors: Ken Brown, Faculty Affairs Committee Chair, and Dustin Stegner, Instruction Committee Chair, proposed that the Academic Senate adopt two university-wide evaluation prompts, and for academic personnel to work with colleges and programs to facilitate the inclusion of these two questions into the Student Evaluations of Instructors. M/S/P to agendize the Resolution on University-Wide Prompts for Student Evaluation of Instructors.

B. Resolution on Academic Program Review Cycles: Ken Brown, Faculty Affairs Committee Chair, proposed for Cal Poly academic programs subject to review according to cycles determined by the faculty to be reviewed on an eight-year cycle, and a shorter cycle of six years for academic programs whose program review reports indicate issues which require a shorter term to evaluate. The discussion will continue at the next Executive Committee meeting.

C. Resolution on Program Name Change: Humanities Program to Interdisciplinary Studies in the Liberal Arts: Jane Lehr, Humanities Program Coordinator, proposed that the Humanities Program in the College of Liberal Arts change its name to Interdisciplinary Studies in the Liberal Arts (ISLA) to better reflect the program, which now offers four Science, Technology, and Society minors. M/S/P to agendize the Resolution on Program Name Change: Humanities Program to Interdisciplinary Studies in the Liberal Arts.

D. Resolution on Department Name Change: Modern Language and Literature Department to World Languages and Cultures Department: John Thompson, Modern Languages and Literature Department Chair, proposed that the Modern Language and Literature Department change its name to World Languages and Cultures (WLC), in order to follow suite of name changes in other universities offering a similar program. M/S/P to agendize the Resolution on Department Name Change: Modern Language and Literature Department to World Languages and Cultures Department.

F. Appointments to the Academic Senate committees for 2016-2018. M/S/P to appoint Lubomir Stanchev, Computer Science, to the Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee.

G. Approval of Academic Senate committee chairs for 2016-2017. Discussion will continue at the next Executive Committee meeting.

V. Adjournment: 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

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