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

I. Minutes: The minutes for the Executive Committee meeting of November 2, 2004 were approved as amended:

V. Business Items:
   D. Resolution on Equitable Scholarly Publishing Practices: Hannings, Academic Senate Chair. This resolution request that faculty members consider their relationships with Elsevier and other large scale publishers in regard to the continuous increase in subscription charges. It was decided to send this resolution to the Academic Senate Library Committee for their review of content and for advice on the recommended position Cal Poly should take on this matter.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):
   A. Nominations for Wang Family Excellence Award: (Hannings) The purpose of this award is to recognize those CSU faculty members who have distinguished themselves by exemplary contributions and achievements. Nominations must be sent to the Provost Office by Monday, February 14, 2005. If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie Long at ext. 62187.

   B. Distinguished Research, Creative Activity and Professional Development Award: (Giberti) This award recognizes the varied scholarship of both junior and senior faculty across a wide range of disciplines. The deadline for nominations is Monday, January 10, 2005. More information is available at www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen/research_award.html

III. Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair: (Hannings) several comments were received regarding the newly implemented registration process after a request for comments was sent to all faculty. A new request for further comments will go out to all faculty tomorrow. The Academic Senate Instruction Committee is meeting Monday to review and discuss all comments received. Discussion continues by the past four Academic Senate chairs in regards to the representation for the College of Education. A review of Robert’s Rules of Order indicates that abstentions are never counted towards a majority vote. President Baker has responded to some of the latest resolutions including the revision of bylaws for Research and Professional Development Committee as well as the Faculty Dispute Review Committee. The response regarding the use of the president’s on-campus residence for a temporary faculty-staff club indicates an unwillingness to do something permanent at this time and indicates the need for a business plan. (Zuur) There has been a lot of questions from faculty and students regarding the new registration process but overall everything is going well. With the new process, 938 e-permits were issued on the first day of class. (Detweiler) Cal Poly is experiencing an enrollment challenge at this time but the new registration process is just one of the factors affecting the enrollment target. Two other factors that are affecting enrollment include the decreased number of continuing students but most importantly is the additional 300-FTS that was added after admissions were closed. Additional transfer students will be admitted during spring quarter in order to meet the enrollment target.

   B. President's Office: (Howard-Greene) The Legislature is back in session and the Governor will give a state of the state report on Wednesday.
C. Provost Office: (Detweiler) The strategy for the current enrollment situation is to make it through the end of the academic year without having a baseline budget reduction, then enrollment can be increased for next year. Applications remain strong, with about 1,000 additional applications, and even though there are short-term challenges the future remains strong.

D. Statewide Senators: None.

D. CFA Campus President: None.

E. ASI Representative: None.

F. Other: None.

IV. Consent Agenda: **Curriculum proposals:** Additional documents will be presented at the January 18 meeting.

V. Business Items:

A. **Academic Senate/universitywide committee vacancies 2004-2006:** The following appointments were made:
   - College of Engineering
     - Sustainability Committee: Jim Harris
     - Research and Professional Development Committee: Jordi Puig-Suari
   - College of Science and Mathematics
     - Gerald Demers from Kinesiology was appointed internal reviewer for the Recreation, Parks and Tourism Administration program.

B. **Resolution on Accessibility to IT Resources:** Hanley/Bailey. This resolution requests the Academic Senate’s endorsement of Cal Poly’s efforts to develop an implementation plan and policy to ensure campus compliance with CSU policy and existing law governing accessibility to campus information technology resources. **M/S/P to agendize the resolution.**

VI. Discussion Item(s): None.

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

Submitted by,

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