I. Minutes: the minutes of October 2 were approved as presented.

II. Communications and Announcements:
A. David Conn, Vice Provost for Academic Programs and Undergraduate Education, communicated the Provost’s decision to modify the academic calendar for Fall 2008 so that classes begin on Monday, September 22 and finals on Monday, December 8.

B. Andrew Schaffner, chair of the Instruction Committee, announced that the committee has withdrawn the WU resolution for further review of current policy. A new resolution will be introduced next quarter.

C. Giberti announced the next Social Hour scheduled for Thursday, October 25, 4-6 p.m., at the University House Patio. This event is hosted by the College of Education.

III. Reports
Regular reports:

A. Academic Senate Chair: Giberti reported on the system-wide meeting of senate chairs, which was held jointly with the Academic Council. The main agenda included discussion of the interaction between Student Affairs and Academic Affairs, the first draft of Access to Excellence, and the system-wide policy on remediation.

B. President’s Office: Howard-Greene reported that on October 30, Senator Tom Torkelson, State Senator Abel Maldonado, and Assemblyman Sam Blakeslee will host a legislative hearing on campus. The topic is science and math education in schools.

C. Provost: See special report.

D. Vice President for Student Affairs: Morton provided information about the role of the Student Affairs Division Care Team. More information available at: http://www.deanofstudents.calpoly.edu/faculty_assistance.htm

E. Statewide Senate: none.

F. CFA Campus President: Saenz reported that an assembly of CFA delegates discussed the CSU/CFA equity pay plan, GSI for new hires, and a proposal for differential fees for professional degrees at masters’ level.

G. ASI Representatives: Souza announced the beginning of a voter’s registration drive that will continue until January 22, 2008. Guntermann announced the implementation of a
new club-funding program for campus clubs not funded by ASI or receiving IRA funding.

Special report:


IV. Consent Agenda: none.

V. Business Item(s):

A. Resolution on Prior Learning Assessment (Schaffner, chair of Instruction Committee): The resolution will return as a second reading item at the November 13 Academic Senate meeting. The resolution is available at: http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen/Resolutions/2007-2008/PLA.pdf

VI. Discussion Item(s): none.

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

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