

**ACADEMIC SENATE
Of
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, CA**

AS-1003-26

RESOLUTION ON CALLING FOR THE UPDATING OF THE UNIVERSITY’S STRATEGIC PLAN

- 1 WHEREAS, The faculty Academic Senate called upon the Administration in resolution AS-
2 863-19 to complete the University Strategic Plan by May 2019; and
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- 4 WHEREAS, The University’s most recent Strategic Plan was completed and written to cover
5 the years 2018-2023; and
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- 7 WHEREAS, Since the development of the current Strategic Plan, Cal Poly has experienced
8 and is actively planning for major institutional changes, including the integration
9 of Cal Maritime into Cal Poly and the transition from the quarter system to the
10 semester system; and
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- 12 WHEREAS, President Armstrong has proposed increasing student enrollment by over 3,000
13 students within the next five years, which is a significant increase in the student
14 body that can have substantial effects on campus and ASI facilities, faculty and
15 staff workload, and quality of instruction; and
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- 17 WHEREAS, The Cal Maritime Administration developed a strategic plan for 2016 – 2021 and
18 has recently updated its strategic priorities to cover 2022 – 2027, which now
19 intersect with Cal Poly’s institutional planning as part of the integrated university;
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- 22 WHEREAS, Changes in state and federal funding are already prompting challenging
23 budgetary decisions and will likely continue to do so, creating an urgent need for
24 a clear articulation of Cal Poly’s hierarchy of priorities, strategic deadlines, and
25 accountability metrics; and
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- 27 WHEREAS, The CSU Chancellor’s office has recently released its systemwide strategic plan,
28 CSU Forward, creating an additional need for campus-level strategic alignment or
29 clearly articulated areas of distinction; and

- 30 WHEREAS, The University's movement to semesters facilitates students taking classes from
31 CSU Online, which could have a meaningful impact on enrollment management
32 and planning; and
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- 34 WHEREAS, Faculty input across both Cal Poly and Cal Poly Maritime Academy is crucial to
35 establishing university-wide priorities; now, therefore, be it
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- 37 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate calls upon the Administration to update Cal Poly's
38 Strategic Plan to account for the recent institutional changes and the planned
39 student enrollment growth; and be it further
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- 41 RESOLVED: That the strategic planning process considers Cal Maritime's (pre-integration)
42 strategic priorities and Cal Poly Maritime Academy's faculty members' input as
43 the University re-evaluates and updates its strategic plan; and be it further
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- 45 RESOLVED: That the updated strategic plan includes more specific deadlines, relative
46 prioritization of strategic priorities, and accountability goals and metrics than the
47 current plan sufficient to assess progress and guide institutional decision-making;
48 and be it further
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- 50 RESOLVED: That the updated Strategic Plan clearly identifies strategic priorities stewarded by
51 administrative role or position for each priority area that is documented in the
52 published plan and updated when roles change; and be it further
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- 54 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate Budget and Long-Range Planning Committee works
55 collaboratively with the Administration to support the development of the
56 updated Strategic Plan; and be it further
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- 58 RESOLVED: That the updated strategic planning process starts in Spring 2026 and be
59 potentially completed by the end of Fall 2026.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Budget and Long-Range Planning Committee
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