

Memorandum

To:

Gary Laver, Chair

Academic Senate

Date:

March 11, 2015

From:

Jeanine Scaramozzino, Chair

Grants Review Committee

Copies:

Gladys Gregory

Academic Senate

Subject:

Academic Senate Grants Review Committee Report - Winter 2015

1. The CSU Student Research Competition will be held May 1-2, 2015, at California State University, San Bernardino. Cal Poly will be sending 14 students, both undergraduates and graduates, representing almost all colleges. A number of student advisors', Dean Wendt, Dean of Research, and Jeanine Scaramozzino will be attending.

The GRC will again hold a workshop with the students chosen as the Cal Poly delegates on their presentations. There will also be a lunch for the GRC committee and students held before hand so the students can meet each other before the competition.

- 2. The RFP for the Research, Scholarly, and Creative Activities Grant Program was revised 1/29/2015 to include lectures. The RFP and the scoring sheet and definitions are available at: http://research.calpoly.edu/rsca. The grants will be reviewed late March/beginning of April.
- 3. The Academic Senate's charges for the GRC for 2014-2015 included:
 - Review Bylaws to reflect revisions/changes to campus policies re: distribution of RSCA funds.
 - Working draft of bylaw revision (for Spring report).
 - Describe how the GRC's responsibilities differ from RSCA's?

The GRC Chair will be meet with Gladys Gregory in early winter quarter to discuss proposed revisions to the bylaws, committee responsibilities, etc. and documentation that was discovered describing how the GRCs responsibilities differ from RSCAs.

The Senate Executive Board agendized the resolution 2/17/2015, and the first reading was on 3/10/2015. A second reading will be held during Spring quarter.

Please see the resolution and background information below:

ACADEMIC SENATE

of

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY San Luis Obispo, CA

AS-__-15

RESOLUTION ON CHANGES IN ACADEMIC SENATE GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Background:

During fall quarter 2014, the Academic Senate asked the Grants Review Committee to review the Bylaws of the Academic Senate to reflect any revisions or changes to campus policies surrounding the committee and provide any recommendations for change to the Senate office by spring 2015. In response to this charge, the Academic Senate Grants Review Committee has recommended the following modifications in the selection of its membership, the members of the committee, and its responsibilities.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 31 32 33 33 33 34 34 35 36 36 37 37 37 38 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37	WHEREAS,	The Chancellor's Office guidelines for their Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity funds state, that the majority of the committee membership developing the plan for the distribution of funding "shall be elected faculty members elected by the probationary and tenured faculty or who shall be members of an existing elected committee." Current practice does not conflict with this statement; and
	WHEREAS,	The Grants Review Committee is the only committee that is listed as following Bylaws section III Voting and Election Procedures for the <i>election</i> of committee members. The current practice on campus is the appointment of committee members, like all other standing committees, as outlined in Bylaws section VIII.B: "During spring quarter, each caucus shall convene to nominate candidates from that college or Professional Consultative Services to fill committee vacancies occurring for the next academic year. These nominations shall be taken to a meeting of the Executive Committee before the June regular meeting of the Senate. The Executive Committee shall appoint members to standing committee vacancies from these lists." Additionally, the current practice of the membership since 2008 [AS-671-08] is that the Grants Review Committee shall include one voting General Faculty representative from each college and Professional Consultative Services, and a graduate student ASI representative and the Dean of Research or designee as ex officio members; and
	WHEREAS,	The responsibilities have been reworded to allow for the regularly evolving nature of grant programs, grant funding, and the like, and to reflect additional responsibilities that have been given to the committee but are not reflected in the current Bylaws of the Academic Senate, therefore be it
	RESOLVED:	That to accurately reflect the practices of the Academic Senate we suggest: The removal of the mention of the Grants Review Committee from Bylaws of the Academic Senate I.B.8.C, III, and IX.A.4, and the rewording of VIII.I.8.a Membership and VIII.I.8.b. Responsibilities <u>AS INDICATED IN THE ATTACHMENT.</u>

Proposed by: Grants Review Committee

Date: February 19, 2015

ATTACHMENT TO RESOLUTION ON CHANGE IN ACADEMIC SENATE GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

REMOVE

- I. INTRODUUTION
 - B. DEFINITIONS
 - 8. <u>Voter Eligibility</u>

Voting members of the General Faculty as specified in Article I of the constitution are eligible to vote for:

- (a) senators from colleges or Professional Consultative Services.
- (b) CSU academic senators.
- (c) members to the Grants Review Committee.
- (d) (c) consultative committees as needed.

III. VOTING AND ELECTION PROCEDURES

Elections shall be held for membership to the Academic Senate, Senate offices, Academic Senate CSU, Grants Review Committee, appropriate recall elections for the preceding as per Section IX of these bylaws, and ad hoc committees created to search for such university positions as president, provost, vice presidents, college deans, and similar type administrative positions.

IX. RECALL OF ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

A. APPLICATION

The procedures for recall shall apply to:

- 1. Elected members of the Academic Senate, California Polytechnic State University;
- 2. Officers of the Academic Senate, California Polytechnic State University;
- 3. Elected representatives to the Academic Senate, California State University; and
- 4. Members to the Grants Review Committee.

REWORDING

VIII. COMMITTEES

- I. COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS
- 8. Grants Review
 - (a) <u>Membership</u>
 - (1) Pursuant to the Chancellor's Office guidelines for the State Faculty Support Grants (SFSG), [AA-2006-25], a majority of the membership shall consist of elected faculty members elected by the probationary and tenured faculty. Pursuant to AS-XXX-15, Resolution on Change in Academic Senate Grants Review Committee Membership Election (Bylaws section VIII.I.8.(a).1) the Academic Senate Executive Committee appoints the voting members of the committee.
 - (2) Ex officio members shall be the Dean of Research or designee and an ASI representative. The ASI representative must be a graduate student.
 - (3) No member of the Grants Review Committee is eligible to apply for any grant, leave, or award program administered by the committee while serving on the committee.

(b) <u>Responsibilities</u>

- (1) In coordination with the Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Committee, the Grants Review Committee shall develop and recommend policies and procedures for the review of grant proposals referred to it, including the State Faculty Support Grants (SFSG).
- (2) Receive and evaluate requests for State Faculty Support Grants and make recommendations for funding, when appropriate, to the Dean for Research.
- (3) Make recommendations concerning the funding of other internal grants when appropriate.
- (4) Evaluate requests for special leaves for research or creative activity and, when appropriate, rank order them for consideration and transmit this ranking through the Academic Senate Chair to the President.
- The Grants Review Committee shall develop policies and procedures for the review of grant proposals referred to it, including but not limited to those funded through the Chancellor's Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity allocations.
- (2) The Grants Review Committee will make recommendations to the Dean of Research concerning the funding of other internal grants subject to review by the source of funding.
- (3) The Grants Review Committee shall develop policies and procedures for the selection of Cal Poly State University student delegates to the system-wide CSU Student Research Competition.
- (4) The Grants Review Committee will evaluate both the oral and written presentations of students and select the delegates for the system-wide CSU Student Research Competition.