



CAL POLY

Academic Senate

Academic Senate Meeting

Tuesday, November 18, 2025 | 3:10 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES

ACADEMIC SENATE MEMBERS

Aubrie Adams; Benjamin N.B Alexander OCOB Caucus Chair; Lisa Anderson; Helen Bailey; Darin Bennett; Bret Betnar; Angela Bracco; Charles Camp; Sabrina Canady; John Clements; Matthew Cole; Nikhil Deb; Dennis Derickson; Shunping Ding; Robert Easton; Alyson Engel ASI Board of Directors Chair; Samuel Frame Vice Chair & Statewide Senator; Scott Fraser; Lauren Garner; Christine Gray; Jerusha Greenwood Academic Senate Chair; Thomas Gutierrez Immediate Past Senate Chair; William Harrison; Brian Healy; Kara Hitchcock PCS Caucus Chair; Sean Hurley CAFES Caucus Chair; Dawn Janke; Eric Jones; Eric Kantorowski; Thomas Kommer; Tiffany Kwapnoski; Sarah Lester; Heather Liwanag; Bo Liu; Ulric Lund; Addison Maerz; Bwalya Malama; Casey McDonald-Liu; James Mealy; Ryan Miller; Keir Moorhead; Allison Myers; José Navarro; Erin Pearse; Steffen Peuker CENG Caucus Chair; Majid Poshtan; Steve Rein CSU Statewide Senator; Rebecca Richards; Jeanine Scaramozzino; Andrew Schaffner BCSM Caucus Chair; Tanner Schinderle ASI Chief of Staff; Kelly Sebastian; Dustin Stegner; Taufik; Hiren Trada; William Tsai; Stamatis Vokos; Daniel Waldorf; Christina Wolfe-Chandler; Ava Wright CLA Caucus Chair; Hocheol Yang

GUESTS

Kenneth Brown; Susan Cheng; Bethany Conway; PJ Crocker; Rachel Fernflores; Daniel Grassian; Jennifer Haft; Terrance Harris; Lisa Kawamura; Michele Kekaha; Maneesh Kumar; Al Liddicoat; Cheryl May; Beth Merritt Miller; Andrew Morris; Daniel Parsons; Dinesh Pinisetty; Patricia Ponce; Teshia Roby; Aparna Sinha; Zora Sowinska; Shannon Sullivan-Danser; Cem Sunata; Jennifer Teramoto Pedrotti; Cari Vanderkar; Dean Wendt; Prema Windokun

Minutes

1. **Call to Order** Jerusha Greenwood, Academic Senate Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:10pm.
2. **Approval of Minutes**
 - 2.1. The [minutes](#) from the Academic Senate meeting on October 28, 2025, were approved.
3. **Communications and Announcements**
 - 3.1. Jerusha Greenwood, Academic Senate Chair, announced that the Distinguished Teaching Award and Distinguished Scholarship Award nomination window closed for the San Luis Obispo campus and will close on December 5th for the Solano campus.
4. **Consent Agenda**
 - 4.1. UFPP: Agreement on Cal Poly RTP Process and Timeline related to Integration: There being no objections, [all consent agenda items](#) have passed.
5. **Reports**



- 5.1. Academic Senate Chair:** Jerusha Greenwood, Academic Senate Chair, has been participating in the CAP 211 Task Force. The charges of the task force are to provide recommendations for revising CAP 211. The task force recommended providing an updated CAP 211 with new criteria and processes, which will be reviewed for approval by the CAP Committee by December 2025 before reaching the President and Provost offices for final approval. The task force is conducting a SWOT analysis of the current process, which will instruct new criteria for future calendars. Other faculty members of the task force include Andrew Schaffner, Peter Livingston, Jim Burleson, and Britta Berg-Johansen. The Academic Senate is recruiting membership for an ad hoc committee focused on revising the Academic Senate constitution and bylaws. Charges of the committee will be sent by the Academic Senate office and posted on the website.
- 5.2. President:** Jennifer Haft, Chief of Staff, reported that ground was broken for the Student Success Center, set to open in 2027. The facility will include flexible spaces for classes, meetings, and events. Representatives of the Wonderful company, alumni, and Wonderful Scholars were in attendance. An invitation was sent out requesting attendance for the President's Annual Holiday Reception on Thursday, December 4th, at the Justin and J. Lohr Center for Wine and Viticulture. Donations for the Cal Poly Food Pantry will be accepted at the event.
- 5.3. Provost:** Al Liddicoat, Provost, shared that successful discussions were held at the AI Convening, with a faculty panel and over fifty research posters. It was announced at the convening that the Noyce School of Applied Computing will be purchasing an NVIDIA Computing Cluster, allowing students to create and train LLMs with data sets. A gift from alum Adrian Ridner will support three faculty fellows to provide workshops and engage with faculty regarding the ethical uses of AI in higher education. The sessions were recorded and available on the provost's website. The search for the Dean of the Library continues, utilizing feedback from recent listening sessions. The Golden Bear training ship was moved to Mare Island to alleviate logistical issues for Solano faculty and staff, also providing more access to the ship for Maritime students. The US Maritime Administration (MARAD) covered related berthing and licensure assessment costs for the move.
- 5.4. Statewide Senate:** Steve Rein, Statewide Senator, highlighted the request made by the ASCSU for the Governor to appoint the faculty trustee that was nominated. Should the Governor choose not to appoint the nomination, the current trustee will serve for an additional twelve months. More information may be found in an article published this



week by EdSource. Dustin Stegner, Statewide Senator, shared that the Academic Affairs committee brought forward a resolution advocating for disciplinary deference in regard to the different councils and how curricula is routed through them. He shares that San Diego State University has passed a resolution of no confidence of Chancellor Garcia in response to administrative salary bloat and the refusal of support for a PhD program in engineering, among other reported issues. Samuel Frame, Statewide Senator, provided a written report that may be viewed [here](#).

- 5.5. CFA-SLO:** Aparna Sinha, CFA-Solano President, shared that the fourth proposal on MOU was presented at the last meeting. The proposal focuses on faculty rights protections, pay, workload, and evaluation stability. In light of the integration, it was proposed that all accruals and progress toward entitlements should be reserved, and no faculty salaries should be reduced. CFA requested that Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo complete an equity study to identify and address any salary compression or inversion caused by integration. They also requested that faculty not be assigned in-person work obligations not on their “home” campus and any required travel between campuses should be compensated, following CSU and IRS policies. The ask to keep the 12% sabbatical quota for each campus remains, despite pushback. A rebuttal from the CSU is expected in the first week of December. Lisa Kawamura, CFA-SLO President, shared that CFA is willing to provide consultation for the resolution on UFPP 12.2 Office Hours, and any other requests for input from CFA. Members received an email inviting them to join the bargaining caucus.
- 5.6. ASI:** Tanner Schinderle, ASI Chief of Staff, shared that ASI will have a Finals Preparedness Booth, providing Scantrons and Blue Books for students. Among twenty-five winter initiatives, he highlighted a shuttle that will provide rides for students to grocery stores, a “buy local” day in partnership with Downtown SLO, a winter club fair, free headshot days, and an off-campus housing survey. Alyson Engel, ASI Chair of the Board of Directors, shared that the ASI recently approved the integration of both SLO and Solano student governments. ASI received a signed letter of intent from President Armstrong, indicating that Cal Poly ASI will likely manage certain facilities of the Solano campus in the future.
- 5.7. Strategic Enrollment Management & Student Affairs:** Terrance Harris, Vice President of Strategic Enrollment Management & Student Affairs, provided a written report that may be viewed [here](#).

6. Business Items



- 6.1. Resolution on UFPP 12.2 Office Hours** Kenneth Brown, Faculty Affairs Committee Chair, introduced in first reading a Resolution on UFPP 12.2 Office Hours. This resolution supersedes current policy in UFPP 12.2 established by AS-886-20 and AS-929-22. This resolution will return in first reading at the next Academic Senate meeting.
- 6.2. Resolution on Credit/No Credit Grading Policy on Semesters** Kris Jankovitz, Instruction Committee Chair, introduced in first reading a Resolution on Credit/No Credit Grading Policy on Semesters. This resolution amends provisions in AS-975-24 and rescinds AS-479-97. This resolution will return in first reading at the next Academic Senate meeting.

7. Discussion Items: None

- 8. Adjournment** Jerusha Greenwood, Academic Senate Chair, adjourned the meeting at 5:04pm.

Minutes submitted by

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