CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California 93407
ACADEMIC SENATE

MINUTES OF THE
ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, February 21, 2012
01-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

I. Minutes: The minutes of January 24 were approved as presented.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none.

III. Reports:
A. Academic Senate Chair: Fernflores reported that all Academic Senate task forces are working on their various charges. Faculty Trustee Bernadette Cheyne is scheduled to visit Cal Poly on May 28. A motion was made and passed to amend today’s agenda to include a resolution in support and commendation for President Armstrong’s defense of academic freedom.

B. President’s Office: Kinsley reported that President Armstrong is co-chairing a CSU committee on quarters vs. semesters and is also serving on a subcommittee, which is discussing many issues including a 3-tier tuition system. Trustee Margaret Fortune is scheduled to visit Cal Poly on April 10-11.

C. Provost: none.

D. Statewide Senate: LoCascio reported that the CSU Academic Affairs Committee passed a resolution suggesting that the CSU not sell any kind of tobacco products. In addition, there was some discussion on the implications of passing a resolution on a vote of no confidence. Foroohar reported that the Shared Governance Subcommittee is discussing three different resolutions: a resolution on procedures by administration in response to senate resolutions, a resolution on vote of no confidence, and a resolution on tracking of passed resolutions.

E. CFA Campus President: Thorncroft reported that the CFA Board of Directors has voted to call for a strike vote in mid-April, exact date to follow. Contract negotiation is in the mediation stage and a lot can happen between now and the conclusion of bargaining.

F. ASI Representative: Titus reported that a task force has been formed to decide on the best way to educate students on the issue of student success fee.

G. Other: none.

IV. Consent Agenda: none.

V. Business Item(s):
A. Resolution on Support and Commendation for President Armstrong’s Defense of Academic Freedom (Executive Committee): Foroohar presented this resolution requesting the commendation of President Armstrong for his strong leadership in protecting the core principles of academic freedom. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.
B. Academic Senate/university committee and task force vacancies for 2011-2013: The following appointments were made:

- Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee: Samuel Frame, Statistics
- Academic Assessment Council: Doris Derelian, FSN
- CAFES: Dan Villegas, Economics

C. Resolution on Shared Governance (Faculty Affairs Committee): Brown presented this resolution, which requests that a task force be set up to revise the Constitution of the Faculty to include shared governance in the definition of the functions of the Academic Senate. **M/S/F to agendize the resolution.** The resolution was sent back to the Faculty Affairs Committee for revisions.

D. Resolution on Academic Senate Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee Procedures (Distinguished Scholarship Award Committee): Bodemer presented this resolution, which requests the endorsement of the Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee procedures. **M/S/P to approve the procedures.**

E. Resolution on Concentration Definition (Curriculum Committee): Schaffner presented this resolution, which revises the definition of concentrations on CAM beginning with the 2013-2015 catalog. **M/S/F to agendize the resolution.**

VI. Discussion Item(s): none.

VII. Adjournment: 5:06 pm

Submitted by,

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