MINUTES OF THE
ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING
Tuesday, January 10, 2012
UU220, 3:10 to 5:00pm

I. Minutes: The minutes of November 15 and 29 were approved as presented.

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

III. Reports:
A. Academic Senate Chair: Fernflores announced that Ruth Black, Director for the new CSU On-line Initiative, is scheduled to attend the February 28 Academic Senate meeting. David Conn reported that a diversity colloquium, presented by Cal Poly and the City of San Luis Obispo, is scheduled for February 6 starting at 5:00pm. For more information visit: http://grci.calpoly.edu/promos/diversity. Bruno Giberti reported that the WASC Educational Effectiveness Review Report is now complete and has been submitted to WASC.

B. President’s Office: Kinsley reported that Debbie Read has started her new position as VP for University Advancement. In addition, Preston Allen will serve as interim VP for Student Affairs.

C. Provost: Koob announced that the governor’s budget does not include any additional cuts, does not restore previous budget cuts, it remains unchanged from the current 2011-2012 level. The uncertainty is associated with the proposed tax initiative, which will be vote on in November. If the initiative fails, it could create a trigger of about $200 million for the CSU. Enrollment target – in the past, a target was agreed upon and the university was given a 2% +/- variation. The new target provides the university with an enrollment floor of 16,000 FTES. Cal Poly will lose state money if enrollment falls below this number but there is no additional state money if enrollment is above 16,000 FTES.

D. Vice President for Student Affairs: none.

E. Statewide Senate: Foroozar reported that there is a possibility that Statewide Academic Senate will vote on a resolution on a vote of no confidence for Chancellor Reed. Chancellor Reed has been developing controversial initiatives without faculty consultations, the latest being the CSU On-line initiative. Furthermore, in December Chancellor Reed announced that there is not enough money to support statewide senators’ assigned time. LoCascio announced that the statewide Academic Affairs Committee has finished a white paper on the on-line issue. In addition, there is pending legislature, which would require the addition of two additional classes for CSU graduation.

F. CFA Campus President: none.

G. ASI Representative: Titus reported that the new Rec Center will be open this month and that the ASI Board of Directors is starting to work on graphics for elections coming up in spring. Senators Weddige added that the faculty/staff rate for the new Rec Center of $40.67 per month is misleading since it must be paid in advance for a full year. The monthly rate is $48.00.

IV. Special Reports:

Mary Pedersen, Associate Vice Provost for Programs and Planning reported on program review and senior project. Reports are available at

V. Consent Agenda: none.

VI. Business Item(s):

A. **Resolution on Course Outcomes/Objectives (WASC/Academic Senate Integrated Student Learning Work Group):** Giberti presented this resolution, which requests that all course learning outcomes/objectives be aligned to the program learning objectives, be approved by program faculty, communicated to students, and “publish” on course syllabus. The following amendment was approved:

RESOLVED: That faculty communicate course learning outcomes be communicated to students via the syllabus or other means appropriate to the course.

M/S/P to approve the resolution as amended.

B. **Resolution on Changes to the Academic Senate General Education (GE) Governing Board Policy (GE Governance Board):** Machamer presented this resolution, which revises the responsibilities of the GEGB and GEGB chair. The resolution will return as a second reading item on February 7.

C. **Resolution on Direction of Expenditures for the CSU On-line Initiative (Online Task Force):** Griggs presented this resolution, which request that the Academic Senate call upon the Chancellor to give top priority to all short-term expenditures related to the development of CSU Online and ensure that the CSU neither enters into any contracts with external service providers for CSU Online nor incurs any significant expenditures. Presentation is available at:
<On-line Education Task Force (PDF)> The resolution will return as a second reading item on February 7.

VII. Discussion Item(s): none.

VIII. Adjournment: 5:00 pm

Submitted by,
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