

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

MINUTES OF THE
ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, October 13, 2015
01-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

- I. Minutes: M/S/P to approve the Executive Committee minutes from September 22, 2015.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): Gary Laver, Academic Senate Chair, spoke on the handout on the numbers and salaries of MPPs on campus. The information will be a communication to the full senate as well as published as raw data.
- III. Reports:
- A. **Academic Senate Chair (Laver):** Department chairs and administrators are discussing the possibility of modifying the program review cycles so that they are every 7 years instead of 6.
 - B. **President's Office:** none.
 - C. **Provost (Pederson):** Academic Programs submitted an interim report and received a letter of response. The letter highlighted the two areas we've been working on campus-wide for our overall accreditation, which are "assessment of student learning" and "diversity and inclusivity". There is also a mid-cycle report coming up in 2017 as part of the 10-year accreditation processes.
 - D. **Statewide Senate (Foroohar/LoCascio):** Foroohar reported on a virtual meeting with the Statewide Faculty Affairs Committee. They are working on 4 resolutions; 2 are in first reading and 2 are in second reading. Two notable resolutions are a second reading resolution on background checks and a first reading resolution on shared governance. LoCascio reported on his discussions with the Statewide Academic Affairs Committee on what the definition of a master's program should be. They also endorsed that ethnic studies programs should be available, but not a graduation requirement.
 - E. **ASI Representative (Monteverdi):** ASI is considering a policy change to include cost of living as part ASI's salary increases since it is currently only merit based.
- IV. Special Report:
- Kara Samaniego, Cal Poly Safer, spoke on the services offered by Cal Poly Safer and encouraged faculty to utilize the education services available to their students. Samaniego can be contacted at kbarbier@calpoly.edu.
- V. Business Item(s):
- A. **Approval of Academic Senate committee charges for 2015-2016:** M/S/P to approve the Academic Senate committee charges for 2015-2016 with the following corrections:
 - Budget and Long-Range Planning Committee:*
 - Look at KPI and suggest criteria for evaluating ~~targeted growth options~~ academic plan. Executive Committee clarification needed.
 - Faculty Affairs Committee:*
 - Implications of electronic RPT.
 - Curriculum Committee:*
 - Explore "course renewal" cycle (at least a best practices report) (in tandem with GEGB)
 - Review the current membership and clarify PCS/IT positions.
 - GE Governance Board:*
 - Library vs. PCS representative on GE Governance Board?
 - Instruction Committee:*
 - Possible charge: grading and return exam/homework to students, progress report on grades, and/or standing before finals. For students to have some idea of grade.
 - Field trip policy review – streamline process.

B. **Appointment of Gour Choudhury and Doris Derelian, Food Science & Nutrition to the Academic Senate CAFES caucus for 2015-2017 term:** M/S/P to appoint Gour Choudhury and Doris Derelian to the Academic Senate CAFES caucus for the 2015-2017 term.

C. **Appointments to Academic Senate committee for 2015-2017, University committees 2015-2016, and task forces:** M/S/P to approve the appointment of the following people to the respective committees:

College of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences

Curriculum Committee

Michael McCullough, Agribusiness

Orfalea College of Business

Distinguished Teaching Award Committee

Lei-da Chen, Management

College of Liberal Arts

Distinguished Teaching Award Committee

Alyson McLamore, Music

Grants Review Committee

Dawn Neill, Social Sciences

Curriculum Appeals Committee:

Doug Keeseey, English

Josh Machamer, Theater & Dance

Jim Mueller, Mathematics

Andrew Schaffner, Statistics

Athletics Advisory Board:

Jason Lepore (2015-17), Economics

Katie McCormick (2015-16), Art & Design

GWR Task Force:

Brian Self, Mechanical Engineering

USCP/DLO Task Force:

Lei-da Chen, Management, HR, and IS

Exceptional Student Service Committee:

Lei-da Chen, Management, HR, and IS

Emily Hamilton, Mathematics

Martin Mehl, Communication Studies

Workplace Enhancement Strategy Task Force:

David Janzen, Computer Science

D. **Resolution on Revising the Criteria for the Distinguished Scholarship Awards:** Don Choi, Distinguished Scholarship Committee chair, presented a resolution to revise the criteria for the Distinguished Scholarship Award in order to align them with current practices and help streamline the selection process. M/S/P to agendize the Resolution on Revising the Criteria for the Distinguished Scholarship Awards.

E. **Resolution on California State University (CSU) 2015-16 Presidential Searches:** Manzar Foroohar, Statewide Senator, presented a resolution that calls for more open, transparent processes for current and future CSU presidential searches. M/S/P to agendize the Resolution on California State University (CSU) 2015-2016 Presidential Searches.

VI. Adjournment: 5:00pm

Submitted by,



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