

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

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING**  
**Tuesday, October 27, 2015**  
**UU220, 3:10 to 5:00pm**

- I. Minutes: M/S/P to approve the minutes from the October 6, 2015 Academic Senate meeting.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):
  - A. Discussion Topics Feedback from the September 18, 2015 Academic Senate Retreat is available at: <http://content-calpoly-edu.s3.amazonaws.com/academicsenate/1/Discussion%20Topics%20Feedback.pdf>
  - B. Gary Laver, Academic Senate Chair, spoke on the handout regarding management profile and salary details for individual MPPs.
- III. Reports:
  - A. **Academic Senate Chair:** none.
  - B. **President's Office (Enz Finken):** The Enrollment Planning Committee that was put together to detail the enrollment plan for the next several years has already come forward with a proposal. The committee has been discussing steady state enrollment due to the fact that we are maxed out in our facilities.
  - C. **Provost:** none.
  - D. **Vice President Student Affairs (Humphrey):** The Dean of Students Office offers services to colleges to let them know how to handle individual of concern. This year's Family Weekend had 1622 registrants, a 16% increase from last year.
  - E. **Statewide Senate (Foroohar/LoCascio):** Foroohar reported that the Statewide Senate is working on a draft resolution to ask for a more transparent policy regarding searches for campus presidents. Almost every single campus has made a resolution supporting more transparency in this policy. LoCascio reported on Statewide Academic Affairs Committee's discussion on master's students losing their financial aid if they take more than 12 units above their degree requirement.
  - F. **CFA:** none.
  - G. **ASI Representative (Monteverdi):** The Board of Directors received a letter from a student regarding the lack of grade inflation on campus and how it affects students. The Board will be moving toward a resolution to include class rank as part of your Poly Profile.
- IV. Consent Agenda:

The following items were approved by consent: JOUR 220 Introduction to Radio Broadcasting (2) and NR 534 Ecosystem Modeling (3).

V. Special Reports:

- A. Steven Filling, Chair, Academic Senate, California State University, gave a report on governance in the California State University system and held a question-answer session. The presentation can be found here: <http://content-calpoly-edu.s3.amazonaws.com/academicsenate/1/images/SLO.Presentation.Oct15.pdf>

VI. Business Item(s):

- A. **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. This resolution was discussed and will return as a second reading.
- B. **Resolution on Action to Promote Timely Completion of the Graduate Writing Requirement:** Dawn Janke, GWR Academic Senate Task Force chair, presented a resolution that requests for programs and departments to develop a concrete action plan so that students take the GWR during their junior year by the curriculum cycle for the 17-19 catalog. This resolution was discussed and will return as a second reading.
- C. **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 move this resolution to a second reading. M/S/P to approve the Resolution on California State University (CSU) 2015-16 Presidential Searches.
- D. **Resolution on a Revised Cal Poly Statement on Diversity:** Rachel Fernflores, Professor of Philosophy, and Jennifer Pedrotti, Professor of Psychology and Child Development, presented a resolution that asks for Senate approval on the Inclusive Excellence Council's newly written Cal Poly Statement on Diversity and Inclusivity. This resolution was discussed and will return as a first reading.

VII. Adjournment: 5:00pm

Submitted by,



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