

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

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING**  
**Tuesday, November 17, 2015**  
**UU220, 3:10 to 5:00pm**

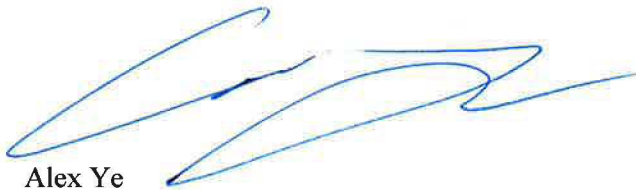
- I. Minutes: none.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none.
- III. Reports:
  - A. **Academic Senate Chair (Laver):** Keith Humphrey left a handout regarding the June graduation ceremony. The ceremony will be expanded to three ceremonies with professional name readers. Margaret Bodemer has been elected as the part time faculty representative.
  - B. **President's Office:** none.
  - C. **Provost:** none.
  - D. **Vice President Student Affairs:** none.
  - E. **Statewide Senate (Feroohar/LoCascio):** Feroohar reported that the resolution to suspend the background check policy has passed. It was also reported that the resolution on shared governance went through first reading and will return in January as a second reading. LoCascio reported on Statewide Academic Affairs Committee's discussion on the 12-unit cap before masters students lose their financial aid.
  - F. **CFA:** none.
  - G. **ASI Representative:** none.
- IV. Consent Agenda:

The following items were approved by consent: Accounting minor, AERO 568 Aerodynamic Research and Development I (2), AERO 569 Aerodynamic Research and Development II (2), and COMS 422 Rhetorics of Science, Technology, and Medicine (4).
- V. Special Reports:
  - A. The Cal Poly Approach to the Future of Information Services by Bill Britton, Visiting Interim Chief Information Officer: Britton gave a presentation regarding the new approaches that Information Services has been taking to improve their services to the school. The presentation can be found here: [http://content-calpoly-edu.s3.amazonaws.com/academicsenate/1/presentations/2015-2016/111715\\_britton.pdf](http://content-calpoly-edu.s3.amazonaws.com/academicsenate/1/presentations/2015-2016/111715_britton.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. M/S/P to move this to a second reading. M/S/P to approve the Resolution on Revising the Criteria for the Distinguished Scholarship Award.

- B. **Resolution on a Revised Cal Poly Statement on Diversity:** Rachel Fernflores, Professor of Philosophy, presented a resolution that asks for Senate approval on the Inclusive Excellence Council's newly written Cal Poly Statement on Diversity and Inclusivity. M/S/P to move this to a second reading. M/S/P to approve the Resolution on a Revised Cal Poly Statement on Diversity.
- C. **Resolution on Action to Promote Timely Completion of the Graduate Writing Requirement:** Dawn Janke, GWR Academic Senate Task Force chair, presented a resolution endorsing several recommendations from the Task Force's report to promote students taking the GWR during their junior year. This resolution was discussed and will return as a second reading.

VII. Adjournment: 5:00pm

Submitted by,



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