

ACADEMIC SENATE
of
THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

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May 2-3, 2002

Systemwide Task Force to Study Educational Support Services

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of the California State University (CSU) recommend to the Chancellor that a systemwide task force be appointed composed of representatives from the various divisions of Educational Support Services, from the Vice Presidents of Student Affairs; from the Provosts for Academic Affairs; from the student body; from the CSU and campus Academic Senates; as well as from the Academic Affairs division of the Chancellor's Office; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this task force be charged with reviewing the present status of Educational Support Services reflecting the losses that occurred in the 1990s and since and to project the needs for an adequate educational support system for the beginning of the 21st century and forward.

RATIONALE: There has been a long-term concern about the adequacy of educational support services exemplified in requests for additional funding for student services in the past two Board of Trustees budgets. There is considerable evidence that CSU students need various support services such as counseling, advising, and career guidance in order to continue their enrollment and proceed expeditiously to graduation. Educational support services are integral to the education of students as whole persons and to life long learning. There is an urgent need for evidence about the present status and needs in educational support services. The last study of educational support services was conducted in 1989.

APPROVED WITHOUT DISSENT -- May 2-3, 2002