

ACADEMIC SENATE
of
THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Item 1

AS-2682-05/FGA/FA
January 20-21, 2005

Reconsideration of the Student Administration Component of CMS

- RESOLVED:** That the Academic Senate of the California State University support the sentiments expressed in the CMS Petition signed by CSU campus senate chairs and other faculty leaders (attached); and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That the Academic Senate CSU express its continued concern about the fiscal and functional impact that implementation of the CMS Student Administration module may have on some campuses' instructional programs; and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That the Academic Senate CSU commend the Chancellor's Office for its action of Spring 2004 allowing individual campuses to postpone implementing some CMS modules due to budget constraints; and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That the CSU Chancellor's Office provide an impartial cost-benefit analysis of implementing the CMS PeopleSoft Student Administration module to those campuses that have yet to do so; and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That the Academic Senate CSU urge the Chancellor's Office to give individual campuses discretion on the basis of this cost-benefit analysis, whether to implement the CMS Student Administration module; and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That the Academic Senate CSU urge campus presidents and senate chairs to ensure that implementation decisions on the CMS Student Administration module be made in a consultative manner through the campus shared governance process.

***RATIONALE:** The recent uncertainty of state funding has resulted in substantial pressure on enrollment management resources on many CSU campuses. These pressures place additional burdens on student administration systems and software. The absence of a clearly defined funding source to support the CMS system would increase the continuing budgetary burden on already inadequately funded campuses. Finally, it is uncertain that the CMS Student Administration module has improved functionality over systems already in place on campuses.*

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CMS Petition

Since the initiation of the CMS project, the CSU central staff and campuses have developed a great body of knowledge about PeopleSoft modules and the advantages and disadvantages of their adoption. Several campuses, particularly the campuses using Banner software, have found that the existing student-support systems may be equal, or in fact superior, in functionality to the PeopleSoft Student product at this time. This, coupled with the likelihood that having uniform PeopleSoft student-support software on all CSU campuses would result in minimal, if any increased effectiveness of systemwide reporting and planning, makes the conversion to PeopleSoft Student on some campuses to be inadvisable at this time. We the undersigned campus senate chairs and other faculty leaders request that the decision to implement Student be left to the individual campuses through their normal shared governance processes.

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