September 30, 2009

Dr. John Tarjan, Chair
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Dear Dr. Tarjan:

RE: September 11-12, 2009 Senate Resolutions

Thank you for forwarding the packet of four resolutions adopted by the Academic Senate of The California State University at its meetings on September 11-12, 2009. I am pleased to provide the responses below:

AS-2906-09/FGA (Rev) CSU Budget Request for 2010-11

The Senate’s urging to include replacement of any lost funding from 2009-10 in the 2010-11 state budget request is both understandable and desirable. Further, restoration of funding for collective bargaining agreements, salary reductions brought about by the furlough program, and the prevention of any reduction in the quality of a CSU education are desired by its faculty, staff, and administrators. While the status of California’s economy and the prospect of such restoration seems unlikely at this point, a proposal for increased funding in the 210-11 fiscal allocation will be presented and discussed at the November meeting of the Board of Trustees.

AS-2908-09/APEP Mitigation of the Impact of Systemwide Enrollment Management Policies on Graduate and Post Baccalaureate Credential Programs

The Office of the Chancellor established an exceptions option for those CSU campuses which might have been negatively impacted by the graduate and undergraduate enrollment management deadlines. Several campuses have requested exceptions to date and all which were allowed specific exceptions could demonstrate that doing so would not impede their ability to manage their assigned FTEs targets.

AS-2910-09/APEP Support of the Continuation of a Planning Process to Re-envision the Lower Division Transfer Patterns (LDTP)

We greatly appreciate the Senate’s support for the re-visioning of the LDTP program and for working collaboratively with colleagues in the California Community College system. We commend the over
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120 faculty from across our system who have contributed to the LDTP to date and particularly commend Dr. Swerkes and her colleagues in the LDTP advisory groups.

AS-2911-09/FGA Concern over Delay in Governor's Appointment of  
CSU Faculty Trustee

We appreciate the Senate’s concern that there is currently no faculty representation on the Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

Jeri Echeverria  
Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer

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c: Dr. Charles B. Reed, Chancellor  
Dr. Benjamin Quillian, Executive Vice Chancellor and CFO  
Dr. Gail E. Brooks, Vice Chancellor, Human Resources