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Dr. John Tarjan, Chair  
Academic Senate, CSU  
The California State University  
401 Golden Shore, Suite 139  
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Dear Dr. Tarjan:

RE: November 5-6, 2009 Senate Resolutions

Thank you for forwarding the packet of resolutions adopted by the Academic Senate of the California State University at its meetings on November 5-6, 2009.

I would like to particularly note the resolution commending Trustee Bleich and acknowledging his extraordinary service to the CSU. He certainly will be missed. I am pleased to provide responses below to the remaining resolutions keeping in mind the recent meeting between Chancellor Reed and members of the Executive Committee regarding the roles of the Academic Senate and collective bargaining.

AS-2912-09/FA (Rev)

Furlough Implementation and Faculty Rights

The University is committed to following all of the agreements negotiated with each exclusive representative, including the Furlough Memorandum of Understanding negotiated with the California Faculty Association. While the intent of the fifth resolved clause is not clear, we would note that workload issues including furloughs are properly held to be within the scope of representation and would be subject to the meet and confer process under HEERA. However, the University notes the position of the Academic Senate on these issues within the joint governance process.

AS-2913-09/AA/FA (Rev)

Teaching and Service Responsibilities in Times of  
Budget Constraints

We appreciate that the "significant and unprecedented reductions in the California State University budget" have resulted in various forms and degrees of disruption. We would anticipate that workload would continue to be managed in a consultative process in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement.

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AS-2914-09/FGA                      Calling on the CSU to Designate March 2, 2010 as  
"A Day Without the CSU"

The University notes the position of the Academic Senate on this issue within the joint governance process and expects that all parties will adhere to the terms of the collective bargaining and furlough agreements and campus plans in determining furlough days for individual faculty members.

AS-2922-09/FA                      In Appreciation of Trustee Bleich

We appreciate the Senate's acknowledgment of Trustee Bleich's extraordinary service to the California State University.

AS-2932-09/FA                      Clarification of Policies Governing Non-State Supported  
Special Sessions

Unfortunately, this resolution does not state where specific clarification of policies might be desirable. As the members of the Senate will recall, I issued a letter of clarification addressing the four most common questions regarding implementation of Executive Order 802 on September 2, 2009.

Sincerely,



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