October 10, 2005

To: Dr. Marshelle Thobaben, Chair
   Academic Senate, CSU

From: Dr. Keith O. Boyum
      Associate Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs

Subject: September 15-16, 2005 Senate Resolutions

Thank you for forwarding the packet of resolutions heard on initial reading / adopted by the Academic Senate of The California State University at its meeting on September 15-16, 2005. I am pleased to provide the responses below.

**AS-2686-05/FA  Assisting Victims of Hurricane Katrina**

As of September 26, 2005, 289 students displaced by Hurricane Katrina from their college or university in Louisiana or another Gulf state had enrolled at a CSU campus. That number seemed certain to rise in any final accounting. The commendations and support from the Senate in this are appreciated.

**AS-2713-05/FA  Urgency of Settling Faculty Compensation Matters in the Current Contract Bargaining**

As you know, faculty have now been provided a general salary increase, and bargaining continues on other issues. That the Senate with this resolution sought to inject itself into collective bargaining, however, is deeply regrettable. The Senate’s distinctive mission is at risk if it cannot distinguish itself from the exclusive bargaining representative for Unit 3. Nor under any circumstances will Trustees bargain with any other than the exclusive bargaining agent.
AS-2714-05/FA  Re-affirmation of Prior Actions and Statements on Merit Pay

The Senate’s views on merit pay are familiar, as the resolution recognizes in re-affirming previous resolutions.

AS-2715-05/FGA  Proposition 76: State Spending and School Funding Limits

As you know, Trustees will determine whether to take a stand on ballot measures.

AS-2716-05/TEKR/AA  Faculty Participation in the Development of Applied Doctoral Degree Programs

We look forward to fruitful collaboration with the ad hoc committee contemplated by the Senate. Like Senators, we are very pleased with the passage of SB 724, and via independently-mounted programs leading to the Ed.D. we expect to make continuing and significant contributions to the strengthening of K-12 and Community College programs in California.

cc: Dr. Charles B. Reed
    Ms. Jackie McClain