RESOLUTION ON DISABLED STUDENT AWARENESS DAY

Background Rationale: In September 1974, some thirty administrators participated in a Disabled Persons Awareness Day. The purpose of this participation was to bring into balance our entire campus population on the situation facing disabled students.

As a partial result of this exercise, Mr. Robert Bonds, Coordinator of Student Community Services, suggested that the Academic Senate: (1) support a Disabled Student Awareness Day; (2) that each department participate in a 5 hour exercise; and (3) that an evaluation of such involvement be sent to the coordinator of Disabled Student Affairs, president of Disabled Student Services, and Chair of the Academic Senate.

WHEREAS, The problems of disabled students are often overlooked by the faculty staff and students at Cal Poly; and

WHEREAS, We can all benefit from the experiences of others; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate support a Disabled Student Awareness Day late Winter quarter, in which each Department would be invited to designate one faculty member to participate in a five hour exercise in which he/she would assume the role of a disabled student; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a steering committee be appointed composed of designated faculty members. A date, publicity and design specifics of the exercise will be the responsibility of the steering committee with consultation from the president of Disabled Student Services. It is hoped that each faculty participant share the experience at the departmental level and submit an evaluation to the coordinator of Disabled Student Affairs, president of Disabled Student Services, Student Affairs Committee, and the Chair of the Academic Senate.

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