

ACADEMIC SENATE  
of  
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO

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RESOLUTION REGARDING UNIVERSITY RESOURCES AND CONTROVERSIAL INFORMATION

Background: During the course of the last summer quarter, President Baker used the resources of his office to distribute material published by an off-campus organization. After several faculty members questioned the propriety of the mailing, President Baker explained that "one of the important reasons for the existence of a university is to provide a forum for constructive criticism of our culture." He added that if necessary to provide balance in that discussion, university facilities, at the Department and School level as well as the resources of President Baker's office, could be used to disseminate pertinent information.

RESOLVED: The university should encourage the discussion of religious, political, public or civic affairs, or other controversies. On occasion it will be necessary to use university facilities to disseminate pertinent information. The material so distributed shall first be reviewed by a standing subcommittee of the Academic Senate's Executive Committee comprised of three of its members and a representative of the President's Office.

FAILED

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