WHEREAS, The Academic Senate considers a Faculty Staff Club a desirable concept for the Cal Poly campus, both for recruiting of new personnel and for the present faculty and staff; and

WHEREAS, We feel that such a Club might be a possibility if it has the support of the President of the University; and

WHEREAS, It is possible that one might be accommodated in present facilities such as Vista Grande Restaurant or the Staff Dining Room, or other existing campus facilities; and

WHEREAS, Long-term planning and fund-raising would be necessary if a new facility is required; be it therefore

RESOLVED: That the President be asked to support the concept of a Faculty Staff Club and make the necessary arrangements for planning one; and be it further

RESOLVED: That, if the President does approve the idea of a Faculty Staff Club, that the matter will be pursued expeditiously through committee or individual work at this time.
Academic Senate Resolution Regarding Faculty Staff Club

This will acknowledge and respond to the resolution adopted by the Academic Senate at its meeting on March 6 relative to a Faculty Staff Club. As you know, the resolution of the Senate requested that I support the concept and "make the necessary arrangements for planning one." First, as I have indicated informally to faculty and staff on a number of occasions, I think that a Faculty Staff Club appropriately supported by the faculty and staff and operated in an effective way, can bring a number of benefits to the campus and I do endorse the project in concept.

However, there are limitations on the extent to which I can "make the necessary arrangements for planning one." Within current space limitations and overall system policy, it would appear that such a facility should be located in a separate facility of its own and must operate on a self-supporting basis. To assist the faculty and staff interested in pursuing such a program, I have asked Executive Dean Doug Gerard to consult with the Senate committee which worked on this project and then to provide information on possible locations and to develop some cost estimates and potential funding mechanisms, including a possible dues fee structure and the length of time dues would need to be paid before actual facility modification or construction could begin.

Once this information is available, then an assessment by those concerned will need to be made as to the potential for moving ahead with such a project.