ACADEMIC SENATE
OF
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California

AS-316-89/SAC

RESOLUTION ON
CONDOM AVAILABILITY PROPOSAL

WHEREAS, The Cal Poly AIDS Prevention Task Force has presented a proposal for the installation of condom dispensing machines on campus (January 13, 1989); and

WHEREAS, The Student Affairs Committee of the Academic Senate has discussed this proposal; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the California Polytechnic State University Academic Senate support the attached Cal Poly AIDS Prevention Task Force Proposal.

Proposed By:
Student Affairs Committee
March 15, 1989
The Cal Poly AIDS Prevention Task Force has been meeting regularly and has developed a proposal for the installation of condom dispensing machines on campus. This two-phase proposal came from the Condom Committee of the Task Force.

Rationale: The world-wide epidemic of AIDS and HIV infection has continued relentlessly. Once infected with the HIV virus, the individual is infectious and with time will develop AIDS. Presently AIDS appears to be 100% fatal. It is well documented that adolescents and young adults are quite sexually active; that at these times their judgment is often impaired by the circumstances or by drugs, especially alcohol. There is no reason to believe that Cal Poly students are different in this regard. Although educational efforts have been extensive and the students appear to have good knowledge of AIDS, significant behavioral changes have not occurred. Although AIDS is fatal, the HIV infection is preventable. Preventive measures include:

- no sharing of intravenous drugs or equipment (total non-use is better
- avoidance of pregnancy in those known to be HIV infected
- chastity, or,
- faithful monogamous relations
- safe sex practices

In those sexually active who are not in a monogamous situation, preventive measures include the use of condoms. Condoms offer about a 90% protection against HIV infection, other sexually transmitted diseases, and pregnancy. The addition of the germicide/spermicide non-oxynol-nine gives some added protection to condoms. To be useful, condoms need to be available readily at low cost and obtainable with a minimum of embarrassment. Although moral and sexual responsibilities are part of our educational efforts, it must be remembered that exposure to a fatal disease is a heavy penalty for being unwise. Condom availability and usage are valuable preventives for AIDS.
PHASE ONE:

It is recommended that condom vending machines be placed in men and women's restrooms in or near the following locations:

- Mott Gymnasium
- University Union
- Kennedy Library
- Computer Science Buildings
- Snack Bar
- Vista Grande Restaurant
- Cellar

These sites were selected for their accessible location, heavy student traffic, and extended hours of operation.

Additionally, condoms will continue to be available at the Health Center Pharmacy during its normal hours of operation.

PHASE TWO:

Following the experience of condom vending machines in Phase One locations, it is further recommended that condom machines be installed in male and female restrooms in each residence hall complex.

Further information about HIV infection, AIDS, condoms in prevention of HIV disease, universities with vending machines is available. Our group is prepared to clarify questions about this proposal. Contact person - James H. Nash, M.D., Student Health Services, Ext. 1211.
To: Charles T. Andrews, Chair
   Academic Senate

From: Warren J. Baker, President

Subject: Academic Senate Resolution Regarding Condom Availability
         Proposal (AS-316-89/SAC)

This will acknowledge your memo of May 12 with which you transmitted the resolution adopted by the Academic Senate at its May 2 meeting regarding the availability of condoms through vending machines as recommended by the AIDS Prevention Task Force. As I think you are aware, I asked Dr. Hazel Scott, Dean of Student Affairs to consult with various campus constituencies on this issue and to subsequently make a recommendation to me. Accordingly, the resolution of the Academic Senate is being forwarded to Dr. Scott for her consideration.

I appreciate the careful consideration which the Academic Senate gave to this matter.