WHEREAS, Recent surveys have identified a definite concern on the part of students regarding the availability and effectiveness of student advising; and

WHEREAS, The Visionary Pragmatism report recommends that the University “offer proactive, consistent and accurate advising throughout the student’s undergraduate experience;” and

WHEREAS, The Summer Advising Program has provided a valuable opportunity for new students to take the MAPE test, meet with faculty and continuing students in their majors, learn about CAPTURE, gain familiarity with the Cal Poly Catalog and Schedule of Classes, schedule Fall Quarter classes, and develop a tentative first-year course of study; and

WHEREAS, This important advising program currently lacks a formal organizational structure and is therefore at risk of discontinuance; be it therefore

RESOLVED, That the Academic Senate shall recommend that a formal Summer Advising Committee be established as a University-wide committee reporting to the Provost, with membership drawn from each College Advising Center, the College of Agriculture, Student Academic Services, Enrollment Support Services, Housing and Residential Life, and Student Life and Activities; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Summer Advising Committee will work in close cooperation with the Task Force on Student Advising until the latter completes its charge.

Proposed by the Academic Senate
Instruction Committee
November 18 1996

Adopted: February 11, 1997
I am pleased to approve the above resolution of the Academic Senate endorsing the establishment of a Universitywide standing Summer Advising Program Committee. By copy of this memorandum, I am asking my Executive Assistant Dan Howard-Greene and Provost Zingg to initiate the process to establish the universitywide standing committee which the Resolution addresses.