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9 10		RESOLUTION IN	
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12	TO REVERSE LONG-TERM EROSION OF COLLEGE COLLECTIONS		
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16	WHEREAS,	The Kennedy Library collections (both print and electronic) represent	
17		one of the key elements of Cal Poly's mission, yet these resources are	
18		currently only an implicit component of Cal Poly's strategic plan; and	
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20 21	WHEREAS,	Cal Poly prides itself on a vibrant curriculum, reflecting advances in academic disciplines and the scholarship of teaching and learning, but	
21		these high-quality programs require rapid access to a core collection of	
22 23		scholarly resources, whether it be print or electronic; and	
24		reconstruction of the process of the	
25	WHEREAS,	Cal Poly's Strategic Plan for support of faculty and staff explicitly	
26		states, "Consistent with its expectations, Cal Poly shall continue to	
27		improve classroom space, classroom equipment, supplies, study	
28		space, communication and information technologies. books.	
29 30		periodicals and other resources"; and	
30 31	WHEREAS,	The absence of a fiscal plan providing sustainable funding for library	
32	WILKEIIS,	materials has resulted in deterioration of these collections (see Charts	
33		1-3); and	
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35	WHEREAS,	Current funding projections, if continued without modification, are	
36		such that all colleges will soon be seriously impacted to the detriment	
37		of their teaching and scholarly activities, and in some cases,	
38		jeopardizing departmental accreditation; and	
39 40	WHEREAS,	Continued levels and trends in funding support for library materials	
4 0 41	WILKEAS,	will threaten Cal Poly's ability to achieve its stated goals of ensuring	
42		the highest quality education to its students, and support for the	
43		professional development of its faculty and staff; and	
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45	WHEREAS,	The Kennedy Library's funding for library materials is substantially	

46 47		below that of other campuses in the CSU system (see Chart 4); therefore, be it
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49	RESOLVED:	That the Academic Senate urge the administration to recognize Cal
50		Poly's Kennedy Library explicitly and consistently as one of the critical
51		educational resources and units which contributes substantially to the
52		fulfillment of the Cal Poly mission as well as that of the colleges; and
53		be it further
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55	RESOLVED:	That the Statewide Academic Senators representing Cal Poly draft a
56		resolution in the Statewide Academic Senate urging the Chancellor
57		to seek an augmentation in the CSU Library Budget; and be it further
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59	RESOLVED:	That the University place a high priority on increasing the budget for
60		Library Materials to the CSU average (currently at \$120 per student);
61		and be it further
62 63	RESOLVED:	That in future years the University place a high priority on
64	RESOLVED.	maintaining the Library Materials budget at at least the CSU average.
65		maintaining the Library Materials budget at at least the CSO average.
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67		Proposed by: Senate Library Committee
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Chart 1. Increasing Cost and Declining Number of Books Purchased at Cal Poly

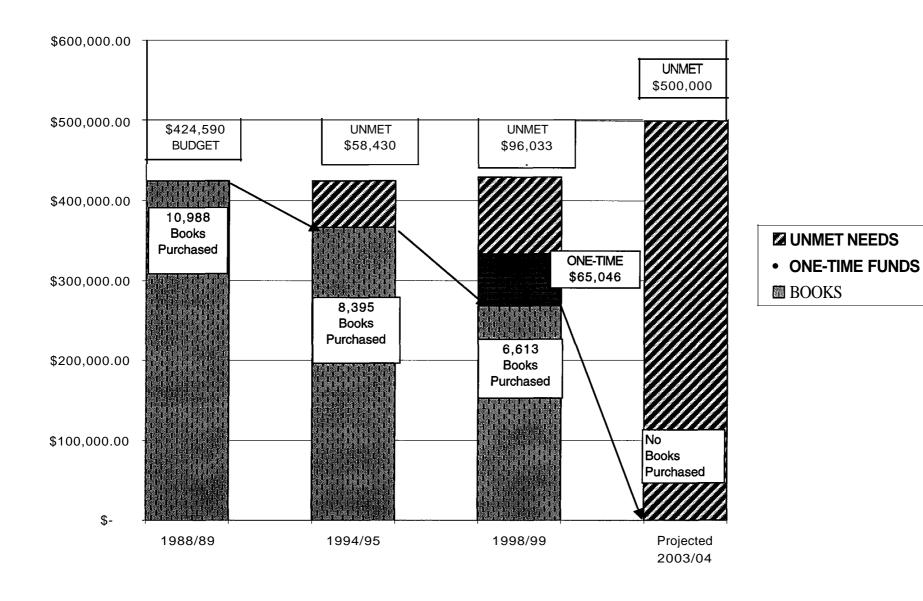


Chart 2. Increasing Cost and Declining Subscriptions for Academic Journals at Cal Poly

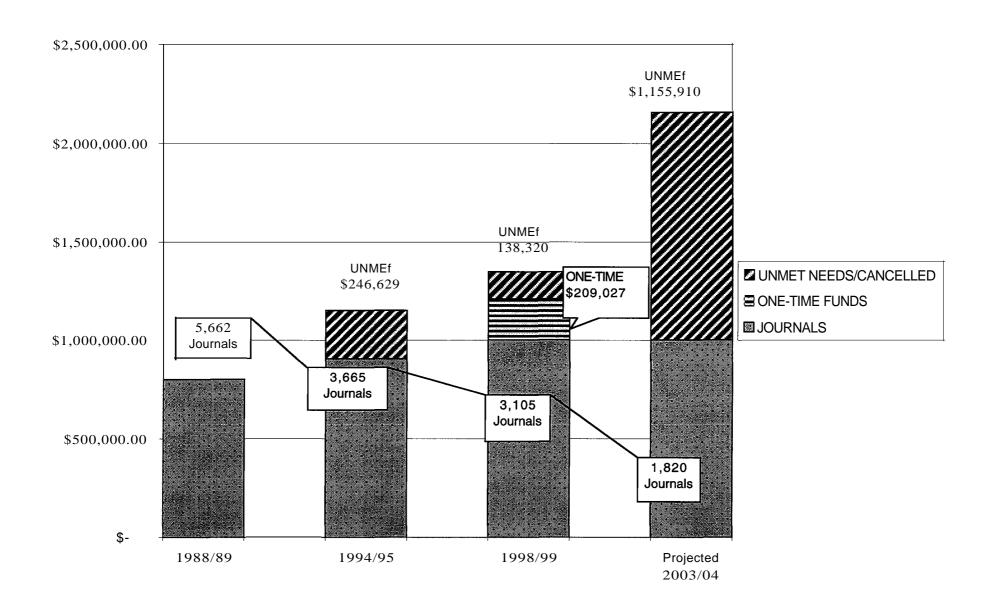


Chart 3. Increasing Unfunded Cost of Electronic Resources

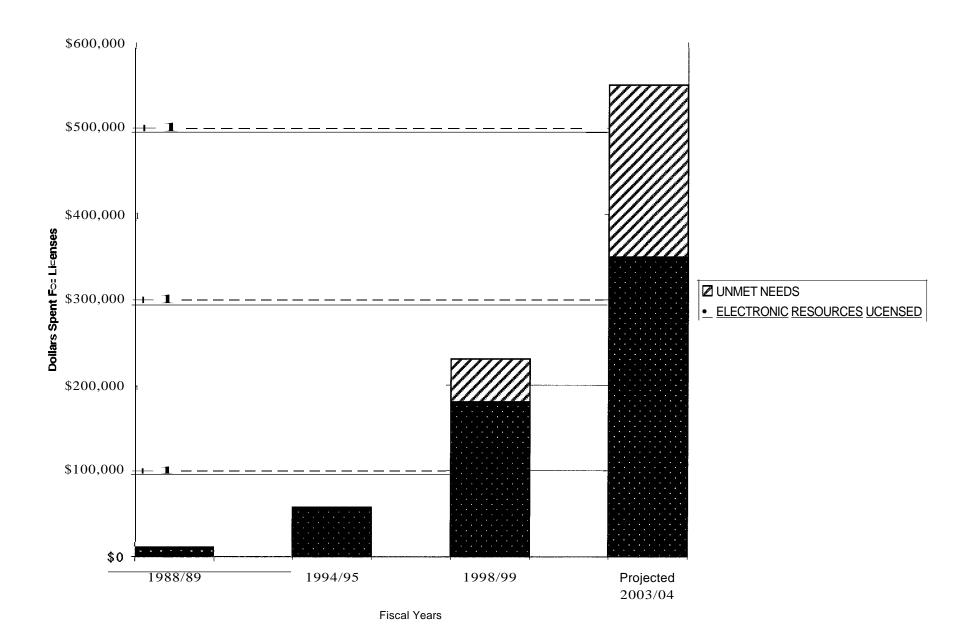
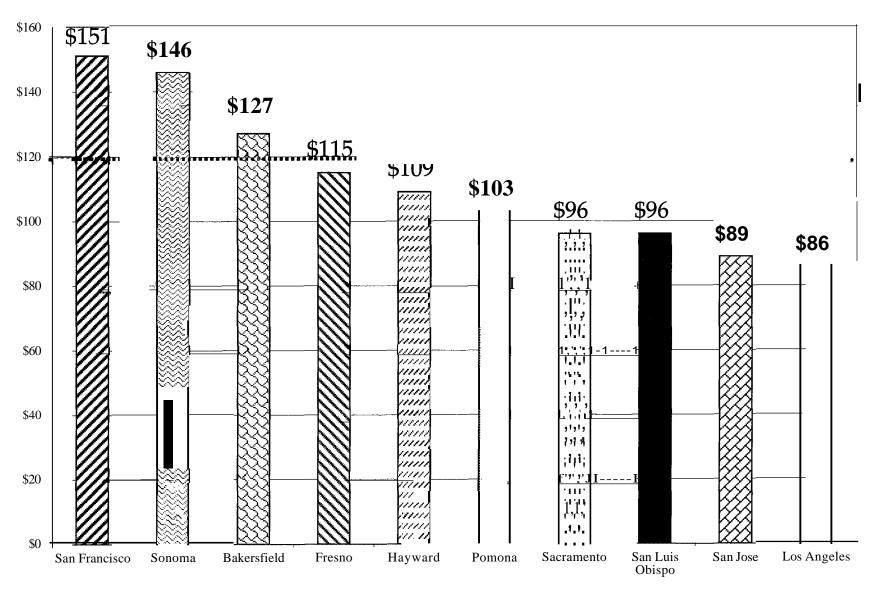


Chart 4. Per Student Expenditures for Library Materials on 10 CSU Campuses, FY 1997-98



represents average total resource expenditure per student, systemwide: \$120



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Resolution in Support of a Sustainable Library Materials Budget to Reverse Long-term

Erosion of College Collections

I am pleased to accept the above subject Resolution and to acknowledge its concerns and to affirm the central role of the Library in fulfilling the University's mission. I will work to ensure that addressing library issues are a high priority on the Systemwide agenda, and I will work with the Provost and deans to see how we can identify resources within the University to apply to this purpose. In addition, the needs of the Library are reflected in the Centennial Campaign goals.