

ACADEMIC SENATE
of
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO

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RESOLUTION ON LIBRARY BUDGET

In the June, 1980 Faculty Library Committee report titled, "Research, the Role of the Cal Poly Library," a number of problems were identified which impact on faculty research at Cal Poly. One of the problems identified was the cost of the Automated Retrieval of Bibliographic Information.

In a letter dated November 25, 1980, Anthony Moyer, Assistant Vice Chancellor of Educational Programs and Resources, invoked policy which restricted each Library in the CSU System to spend no more than \$5,000 of its State-supported budget on automated retrieval systems such as DIALOG and MEDLINE.

The effect on this campus was to eliminate subsidized faculty use of the bibliographic retrieval system and greatly reduce in-house searching.

This retrieval system will become of greater importance in the future, especially with regards to faculty development and research.

WHEREAS, Faculty development and research will play an important role in the University's future policy; and

WHEREAS, The Cal Poly Library's automated retrieval system is a major element in the faculty's professional growth and research effort; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate recommend that money to augment the State-supported Library budget be appropriated specifically for this retrieval system in the University budget; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate request that the President ask the Chancellor to rescind the spending limit for automated retrieval imposed on the CSU Libraries.

APPROVED

December 1, 1981