

**ACADEMIC SENATE
Of
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, CA**

**AS-486-97/B&LRPC
RESOLUTION ON
ENROLLMENT**

- WHEREAS, The actual student enrollment at Cal Poly exceeds the student enrollment funded by the CSU; and
- WHEREAS, The State funding per student and the actual per student cost of educating a student at Cal Poly are diverging; and
- WHEREAS, The current student enrollment at Cal Poly is at or near the master plan facility capacity during the academic year; and
- WHEREAS, Increasing student enrollment without sufficient increases in the budget and facilities will seriously impair the quality of the Cal Poly academic programs; and
- WHEREAS, Cal Poly's success and reputation is based in large part upon its polytechnic emphasis, and polytechnic programs by their very nature are more expensive than most other programs in the CSU system; and
- WHEREAS, State funding which is largely based on a per student allocation that does not recognize the differences in instructional costs of various programs, and this funding policy is jeopardizing Cal Poly's ability to continue to offer quality academic programs; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED: That Cal Poly should strive to have its actual enrollment equal to its funded enrollment; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That once the actual and funded enrollment equilibrium has been established, future enrollments should not exceed the funded enrollments; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That Cal Poly should endeavor to balance its enrollment so as to minimize the year-to-year fluctuation of new students; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That future enrollment should not exceed the physical capacity of the campus; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That all future enrollment growth be predicated on the existence of adequate facilities and sufficient financial support; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the State Legislature and the CSU Administration be encouraged to fund Cal Poly programs at a level closer to their actual cost, rather than on a system-wide per student basis.

Proposed by the Academic Senate Budget and Long
Range Planning Committee
November 4, 1997

State of California
M e m o r a n d u m

To: Anny Morrobel-Sosa, Chair
Academic Senate

Date: December 16, 1997

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President

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Subject: Academic Senate Resolution on Enrollment (AS-486-97/B&LRPC)

I am pleased to approve the Academic Senate Resolution on Enrollment, AS-486-97/B&LRPC. I appreciate the Senate's support of the University's long-range enrollment planning principles and direction. Please express my thanks to both the members of the Academic Senate and the Budget and Long-Range Planning Committee.