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This committee met twice this academic year, on November 9, 2007, and May 19, 2008.

The November meeting focused on the most recent demographic statistics of HIV/AIDS, with emphasis on the numbers reflecting our student population. An active discussion concerning the risks and ramifications of STI transmission in this cohort demonstrated the essential importance of persisting educational efforts. This message must be consistent and promoted by multiple organizations that credibility with this population. A review of activities sponsored or supported by campus organizations provided by committee members in attendance, suggests that our student population is well served with educational opportunities in this regard.

Our May meeting was very well attended. A presentation of the range of benefits and offerings provided by the AIDS Support Network was presented to the committee by Terry Comer, Health Counselor of the AIDS Support Network. Edie Kahn, Executive Director of AIDS Support Network and a member of this committee also participated. The presentation and ensuing discussion illuminated the strong relationship between Cal Poly students and the San Luis Obispo community. The AIDS Support Network now has a 25 year history of providing services to this local population in need and their success is, in great measure, due to their close bond with various student groups on campus. Student volunteers devote countless hours and energy to the various programs and events of the AIDS Support Network. It is a very positive example of campus and community collaboration.