At its meeting of April 23, 2001 the SJSU Academic Senate passed the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Annette Nellen for the Executive Committee.

SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION ENDORSING AN Ed.D. IN THE CSU SYSTEM

Whereas: The increasing complexity of addressing the needs of K-12 students, given the growth in their numbers, the diversity of their needs, and the intensity of public and political scrutiny speaks to a growing demand for advanced preparation for professionals; and

Whereas: The CSU is responsible in large measure for the preparation of professional educators in California; and

Whereas: Efforts to create joint doctorates in education in collaboration with UC’s have not moved forward expeditiously; and

Whereas: A recent report by the California Postsecondary Education Commission recommends that California directly address the question of access to Ed.D. preparation in terms of affordability, time and distance; and

Whereas: California is revisiting the Master Plan for Education, which offers an opportunity to reconsider our role, most especially as a Metropolitan University; and

Whereas: An effective Ed.D. Program will require substantial financial and other support from the state; therefore be it

Resolved: That the Academic Senate of SJSU urge its representatives to the CSU Academic Senate to support the implementation of Ed.D. programs in the CSU and to urge the state legislature to fully fund such programs without diverting funds from existing curricular needs; and

Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be sent to the CSU Trustees and Statewide Senate’s Executive Committee.