At its meeting of January 29, 2007, the Academic Senate passed the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Senator Van Selst for the Executive Committee.

**SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION**

**The Importance of Settling the Contract Between the CSU and CFA**

WHEREAS: The Academic Senate CSU has urged local senates to review and endorse, "Importance of Settling the Contract Between the CSU and CFA" (January 18-19, 2007); and

WHEREAS: The Academic Senate of San Jose State University has reviewed AS-2782-06 and finds the principles embodied to be consistent with the Academic Senate's role in advocating for a high quality system of higher education; Therefore be it,

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate endorse the Academic Senate CSU resolution AS-2782-06

**Rationale**

AS-2782-06 (attached) indicates some of the reasons why having the contractual bargaining between the California State University System and the California Faculty Association reach a reasonable settlement as quickly as possible is in the best interest of the CSU as a whole.

The resolution speaks to issues that have historically been in the domain of the senate. Rapid resolution of the issues and adoption of a fair and equitable contract will help the CSU attract and retain high quality faculty who will continue to provide a superior education to the people of California. At the same time, funding to the system is not adequate to address the critical needs that currently exist, including those related to equitable compensation, workload issues and professional development. A concerted effort is required to obtain funding from the Legislature and Governor that more realistically reflects the actual needs of the system.

Approved: January 25, 2007
Vote: 10-0-2
Present: Gutierrez, Van Selst, Vereegge, David, Hebert, Bros, Thames, Meldal, McClory, Lessow-Hurley, Najjar, Phillips
Absent: Sigler, Lee, Kassing
Financial Impact: None
Workload Impact: None