



**S99-5**

At its meeting of April 5, 1999, the Academic Senate passed the following Policy Recommendation presented by James Brent for the Organization and Government Committee.

**POLICY RECOMMENDATION  
UNIVERSITY LIBRARY BOARD**

Modifies F98-5

Whereas the Academic Senate has approved the Joint Library Project between SJSU and the City of San Jose, and

Whereas this new Joint Library presents many unique challenges that will require extensive and effective oversight by SJSU faculty, staff, administrators, and students, and

Whereas the existing Library Committee may not provide sufficiently vigorous input and oversight on matters relating to the Joint Library, be it therefore

Resolved that the existing Library Committee be dissolved and replaced with a new University Library Board, and be it further

Resolved that all references to "Library Committee" in University Policy F98-5 be changed to "University Library Board"; be it further

Resolved the University Policy F98-5 be further modified as follows:

**2.6 Organization of the University Library Board**

2.6.1 The University Library Board is a special agency of the Senate authorized both to formulate and recommend policy related to the Library, and also to advise the Library Director on the implementation of University policies and generally on Library operations -- combining the traditionally separate roles of policy and operating committees. When the Board formulates policy, it shall report directly to the Academic Senate through the Executive Committee. The chair of the University Library Board shall present policies to the Executive Committee and the Senate.

**2.6.2. Board Membership**

2.6.2.1. The Library Director, ex officio

2.6.2.2. The Vice Chair of the Academic Senate

- 2.6.2.3 Three university library faculty who represent different professional specializations. These faculty will serve for staggered three-year terms.
- 2.6.2.3 One regular faculty member from each college, as well as one faculty member from the School of Library and Information Science. These faculty will serve for staggered three year terms.
- 2.6.2.4 Three students apportioned as follows: the President of Associated Students or designee ex officio voting; and one undergraduate and one graduate student. The President of Associated Students will serve as long as he/she holds his/her office. The other student members will serve one-year terms, provided they remain students in good standing. Student members may serve more than one term.
- 2.6.3 Faculty members shall be nominated by the Executive Committee and approved by the Senate. Student members shall be nominated by Associated Students and approved by the Senate. Potential faculty nominees to the University Library Board must submit a one-page statement to the Executive Committee indicating their familiarity and experience with Library policy, services, and collections. The Executive Committee shall endeavor to nominate those with the greatest desire to serve and the highest qualifications.
- 2.6.4 The University Library Board shall elect its own chair. After the first year, the chair shall be a faculty member who has served a minimum of one year previously on the University Library Board.
- 2.6.5 The University Library Board shall meet regularly according to the same schedule as Senate Policy Committees.
- 2.7 Relationship of the University Library Board to Internal Library Governance
  - 2.7.1 Nothing in this policy should be construed to limit the Library Director's prerogative to solicit advice from any or all library faculty and staff, or to organize the internal advisory capacity of the Library in any manner suitable to the Library, i.e. use of a Library Cabinet, etc.
  - 2.7.2 Nothing in this policy should be construed to limit the Director or the Library faculty and staff from constructing internal Library policies on the details of Library operations as appropriate, provided such policies are consistent with University Policy.
  - 2.7.3 On matters related to the academic role of the Library, the Library Director should consult internally, with the University Library Board, and with the university community, so as to insure that multiple views and perspectives are considered.

**ACTION BY THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:** Approved by President Robert Caret on April 22, 1999.