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At its meeting of September 29, 2003, the Academic Senate passed the following Senate Management Recommendation presented by James Brent for the Executive Committee.

SENATE MANAGEMENT RESOLUTION CREATING A GRADUATION CEREMONY TASK FORCE

Whereas	the university graduation ceremony at Spartan Stadium has followed the same format for at least a decade; and
Whereas	a variety of college- and departmental-level graduations has arisen over the years; and
Whereas	it is healthy for institutions to revisit old traditions; be it therefore
Resolved	that the Academic Senate authorize the establishment of a Graduation Ceremony Task Force, with the charge and membership listed below; be it further
Resolved	that the Task Force present its recommendations to the President, the Associated Students Board of Directors and the Academic Senate no later than October 2004 for consideration and possible implementation; be it finally
Resolved	that the president shall have the authority to dissolve this task force at any time commencing 30 days following the submission of the task force report.

Charge:

Evaluate what works and what does not work regarding the current arrangement of university-, college-, and departmental-level graduation ceremonies. Research different models for graduation ceremonies at other similarly-sized universities. Consult widely on and off campus (especially students, but also alumni, campus police, public affairs, media services, advancement, etc.) to determine if, considering

budgetary restraints, another graduation mode, would better suit the needs and desires of SJSU students, or if the current arrangement should be maintained.

Membership:

President of Associated Students or designee

- 1 additional member of the A.S. Board of Directors, selected by the Board
- 2 additional students nominated by the VP for Student Affairs to Associated Students for approval
- 1 SJSU alumnus/a, selected by the Alumni Association Board of Directors Executive Assistant to the President

AVP, Facilities Development & Operations or designee

VP for Student Affairs or designee

- 1 dean
- 3 faculty (at least 1 of whom shall be a department chair) from different colleges, selected by the Executive Committee
- 1 Staff member Mireya Salinas of the President's Office