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**SS-F13-5, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Requesting that
Chancellor Tim White Undertake a Prompt Review of SJSU
Governance**

Legislative History: At its meeting of November 18, 2013, the Academic Senate approved the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Senator Peter for the faculty members of the Executive Committee and the ASCSU Senators.

**SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION
REQUESTING THAT CHANCELLOR TIM WHITE UNDERTAKE A
PROMPT REVIEW OF SJSU GOVERNANCE**

Whereas, The Academic Senate of SJSU has received widespread expressions of concern from our faculty and student constituents, and from some administrative officers, about the present efficacy of SJSU governance; and

Whereas, A series of conflicts over the last year has highlighted issues related to communication and transparency, has opened serious rifts in our shared sense of community, and has contributed to extremely low morale; and

Whereas, SJSU needs to refocus its attention on our core mission to serve our students and community; and

Whereas, A fresh look at the SJSU situation from outside the campus could help to diagnose problems and identify solutions; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: The Academic Senate of SJSU request that Chancellor Tim White undertake a prompt review of SJSU governance. We recommend that the review should broadly and confidentially consult with all relevant campus leaders and groups—including students, faculty, and all levels of administration. We urge that the Chancellor use the findings of the review to implement any measures needed to improve the efficacy of management and to help us to restore a strong sense of shared purpose to our campus governance; be it further

Resolved: The Academic Senate of SJSU make this request respectfully, with a desire for a constructive outcome, and with no preconceived vision.

This resolution presented from the floor by a group of faculty consisting of the elected faculty members of the Executive Committee and the ASCSU Senators.

Vote: 9-0-1

Present: Heiden, Van Selst, Kaufman, Von Till, Peter, Kimbarow, Ng, Frazier, Gleixner, Lessow-Hurley