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SS-S07-6

At its meeting of April 16, 2007, the Academic Senate passed the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Senator Meldal for the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee.

SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION
SJSU Shared Value for 2007-2008: Community

- Whereas:** SS-S05-7, “SJSU Shared Values” was approved by the Academic Senate in Spring 2005 as a guiding document along with the SJSU Mission Statement and the SJSU Vision Statement; and
- Whereas:** SS-S05-7 stipulates that SJSU choose one of the shared values as the campus “theme” each academic year with each of the six shared values serving as the university’s annual theme on a rotational basis; and
- Whereas:** The Instruction and Student Affairs Committee was asked to consider the choice for 2007-2008; and
- Whereas:** The Instruction and Student Affairs Committee after discussion in its meetings and after listening most carefully to the student members of the committee, have made a choice; and
- Whereas:** Values are better institutionalized with deliberate promotion across the whole campus with endorsement and support from campus leadership; and
- Whereas:** SS-S05-7 describes the community value as “...collaborative relationships within and beyond the campus in order to best serve our mission,” and
- Whereas:** The SJSU shared value for the academic year 2006-07 was “diversity,” and
- Whereas:** Community may arise out of diversity as human beings grow in awareness of each other, reach out to each other and identify, establish and strengthen commonalities of perception and purpose, and
- Whereas:** Establishing and sustaining an inclusive community of students, faculty members and staff is critical to the success of the university, and
- Whereas:** The world of today is one of rapidly increasing global interconnectedness and direct influence of human beings upon each other, and

Whereas: Establishing and sustaining the participation of the university community in the regional, national and global communities of scholars, professionals and civic-minded human beings is at the heart of the university's goal of being "...viewed as a crucial resource for Silicon Valley and an important contributor to the region, the state and the world"; therefore be it

Resolved: That for the academic year 2007-2008, the university value theme be "community," and be it further

Resolved: That all campus divisions, colleges, departments, units and organizations be encouraged to consider the value theme of community for the year when planning existing activities and that the value theme be considered in any campus-wide activities, such as Commencement, Honors Convocation, Campus Reading Program, Educated Person Dialogue, Orientation, etc. and be it further

Resolved: That the Office of the President and the Academic Senate be encouraged to reinforce and promote all the shared values of SJSU and particularly the value of *community* (e.g. values recognition program, campus banners, posters for offices and buildings, etc.).

Approved: April 2, 2007

Present: Bridgeman, Campsey, Dorosz, Guttierrez, Leddy, Meldal, Reyes, Rowen, Rudy, Sofish

Absent: Dresher, Evans, Fee, Hansen, Kelley, Thompson

Vote: 10/0/0