RESOLUTION ON PRESIDENT CORRIGAN’S DECISION REGARDING THE 1995/96 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

At its meeting of April 12, 1994, the Academic Senate approved the following resolution on President Corrigan's decision regarding the 1995/96 Academic Calendar:

WHEREAS

President Robert Corrigan, in exercising the authority of his office, has made a decision regarding the 1995/96 Academic Calendar which contradicts the recommendation reached by the Academic Senate after a full debate and a formal vote; and

WHEREAS

The decision of President Corrigan to over-rule this recommendation by the Academic Senate was made without the required formal consultation with the Executive Committee thereby violating Article II, Section 2, of the Constitution of the Faculty of San Francisco State University; and

WHEREAS

The decision of President Corrigan was preceded by costly surveys of faculty and students, conducted by the President's Office, which were flawed in design, sampling, execution, and interpretation; and

WHEREAS

Many faculty and students will be burdened by a final exam schedule that ends on December 22 and many students, staff members, and administrators will be burdened by a grade submission deadline of January 9; and

WHEREAS

The decision of President Corrigan was reported to the Chair of the Academic Senate without any explanation or justification; therefore be it

RESOLVED

That the Academic Senate of San Francisco State University strongly urge President Robert Corrigan to rescind his decision regarding the 1995/96 Academic Calendar and adopt the calendar recommended by the Academic Senate; and be it further
RESOLVED That the Academic Senate of San Francisco State University urge President Corrigan to make future decisions based upon legislatively mandated and historically honored consultative procedures.


Academic Senators who voted against: None

Academic Senators who abstained: Marilyn Boxer, Don Scoble