

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS ACADEMIC SENATE RESOLUTION

The University Library and Academic Technology Services & Support

Resolution #: SR 06-03

Approval Date: February 6, 2007

Resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of California State University Channel Islands (ASCSUCI) commend the CSUCI Library for the clarity of its vision of the role of university libraries in 21st century higher education, for its tireless effort to build a library at CSUCI to fulfill this vision, for its outstanding support of the faculty in their roles as teachers, scholars and creative artists, and, most importantly, for its support of students and student learning; and be it further

RESOLVED: That ASCSUCI commend President Rush for his steadfast commitment to inclusiveness and shared governance as evidenced by his intent to appoint a task force with participation from all stakeholder groups to advise him on the future management and organization of academic computing services and support at CSUCI; and be it further

RESOLVED: That ASCSUCI register its high degree of satisfaction with the academic technology services and support as currently provided by the University Library and its concern that any shift in the management or organization of these activities may result in a decrease in support for CSUCI students and faculty in not only academic technology currently offered but other library services as well since technology permeates all library functions, and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be sent to President Rush, University Librarian Adalian, and members of the aforementioned task force (when it is appointed).

RATIONALE

The CSUCI Library is widely regarded as one of the most successful organizations on campus. Indeed, the success and accomplishments of the Library have been so great that the campus featured the Library in its 2005 Capacity and Preparatory Report prepared in conjunction with its initial accreditation review.

This success is not surprising given the forward-looking vision of the Library staff as documented in the *CSUCI Library Strategic Plan*. This plan was prepared by the Library staff, in consultation with campus stakeholders, and was ultimately reviewed by the President's Cabinet as well as the Executive



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Committee of ASCSUCI. Included in the plan is a description of the role of academic technology as an essential element of the CSUCI Library.

The Library has followed its strategic plan, and is providing a broad range of academic computing services for both students and faculty. Evidence of the success of these services is documented in the *CSUCI Library 2005-06 AY Annual Report*. Examples of services provided include:

- The development of four databases consisting of CampusView, BioView, Faculty Accomplishments Database, and an institutional repository based on MIT's Open Source DSpace.
- Assistance to faculty from multiple disciplines to develop media projects and digital collections.
- Instruction in the use of several software programs (including Details, Dreamweaver, PowerPoint, Photoshop), and with audio taping, video editing, digital photography, and poster production for capstone poster sessions.
- Support for Blackboard support and the initiation of Blackboard's wiki and blog modules.

In all these efforts the library received positive feedback from the annual faculty and student surveys. These statistics, as well as others found in the Annual Report, make it clear that students and faculty are well served by the CSUCI Library.