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Student Senate Resolution AB982 – Student Health Fees

Date: April 5, 2005
Subject: Student Senate Resolution AB982 – Student Health Fees
Mover: Arlene Warco
Seconder:

Whereas, good health has been shown to be a necessary attribute for college success;

Whereas, California Community College Student Health Centers provide basic health care to all students;

Whereas, Health Centers are partially or fully funded by a modest student fee of \$13.00 per semester or \$10.00 per quarter that is currently waived as part of the BOG Fee Waiver;

Whereas, the funding scenario for Student Health Centers becomes worse as the system is more successful in expanding the BOG Fee Waiver Program;

Whereas, community colleges do not have alternative funding sources available to cover the costs to maintain health services;

Whereas, the State of California has been unable to fund Maintenance of Effort for Health Services since 2002;

Whereas, Community College Health Services are increasingly under funded and unevenly distributed among the 109 California Community Colleges;

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Whereas, the colleges with the largest proportion of low income students have the fewest resources to provide basic health services;

Whereas, Health Centers are now reducing, laying off staff, and eliminating services;

Whereas, AB982 (Laird) will allow districts to charge low income students that health fee and continue to provide health services to those students who have the greatest need.

Therefore, let it be firmly established: That the Academic Senate of Santa Ana College fully support and endorse AB982 (Laird) (Section 76355 Ed. Code Amendment)

Unanimously endorsed by the Academic Senate of Santa Ana College this April 5, 2005.