WHEREAS: Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) Board of Directors is the official voice of Cal Poly students, and

WHEREAS: Learn-by-Doing is an essential component of the Cal Poly curriculum that allows students to gain professional and practical experience, and

WHEREAS: The College of Architecture and Environmental Design offers architecture, city and regional planning, landscape architecture, architectural engineering, and construction management in one college, and

WHEREAS: Students in this college gain valuable skills in collaborating with students and professionals specializing in each major component of a design process, and

WHEREAS: Omar Faroque, a faculty member and licensed architect and landscape architect, assisted his Landscape Architecture studio in the Centennial Park design process, and

WHEREAS: This process included all major stakeholders, consisting of students, faculty, and staff, in order to produce plans that satisfied all users and clients, and

WHEREAS: The University of California Santa Barbara's Campus Planning Committee asked Faroque's Landscape Architecture studios to design a plaza on their campus, and

WHEREAS: ASI has also incorporated student and professional collaboration into its own major projects, including the Cal Poly Recreation Center and the University Union Plaza, which involved students in the consultation, financial, design generation, architecture design review, and construction review processes, and

WHEREAS: Student insight is best incorporated when students are involved in the discussions and decisions related to campus planning, and

WHEREAS: Administration, faculty, staff, and students all acknowledge the importance of student involvement when planning for the future of the campus and have adopted resolutions that support shared governance (ASI Resolution #11-04, Academic Senate Resolution #748-12), and

WHEREAS: Shared governance distinguishes Cal Poly among other universities to industry and potential employers, and

WHEREAS: In the spirit of shared governance, many committees already have students that give input about design choices and long range planning options.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The ASI Board of Directors supports student designs in collaboration with Universitywide and Academic Senate committees by restructuring membership to include student government representatives interested in design, finance, and land use regarding campus planning, and
FURTHERMORE THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: When student government representatives are selected for Universitywide and Academic Senate committees, expertise in design, finance, and land use regarding campus planning should be a factor in committee service, and

FURTHERMORE THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: If Student Government representatives are placed on committees and do not have expertise on the topic, input from constituents in respective College Club Councils with expertise would be helpful in order to inform them on how to best represent the student body, and

FURTHERMORE THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The ASI Board of Directors recommends informed student involvement in the following committees that currently employ shared governance and focus on design, finance, and land use: Accommodation Review Board (504/ADA), Budget and Long Range Planning Committee, Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee, Campus Planning Committee, Disability Access and Compliance Committee, Landscape Advisory Committee, Sustainability Advisory Committee, and

FURTHERMORE THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: This resolution will be sent to President Armstrong, Academic Senate Executive Committee, Academic Senate, and future ASI Presidents.

CERTIFIED as the true and correct copy, in witness thereof, I have set my hand and Seal of the San Luis Obispo Cal Poly Associated Students, Inc. this 18th day of April, 2013.

Attest: 
ASI Secretary

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at San Luis Obispo Cal Poly Associated Students, Inc. this 17th day of April, 2013.

Signed: 
ASI Chair of the Board

Signed: 
ASI President

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