RESOLUTION FOR THE CREATION OF A TASK FORCE ON THE DEFINITION OF SCHOLARSHIP (#09-93/94-EP)

WHEREAS, The WASC Accreditation Report of 1990 asks Humboldt State University to develop and clarify its research mission; and

WHEREAS, There is a national debate about broadening the definition of scholarship to include aspects of teaching and service; and

WHEREAS, The Academic Senate of Humboldt State University chose not to recommend a report on the definition of scholarship authored by the deans; and

WHEREAS, Humboldt State University should seek to resolve this issue; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University recommends that a task force on the definition of scholarship be formed consisting of the Deans for Undergraduate Education and Graduate Studies and Research; the present or past Chairs of the Faculty Affairs Committee, the Educational Policies Committee, the University Faculty Personnel Committee, and the University Curriculum Committee; and one recipient of the Scholar of the Year Award chosen by the Chair of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University recommends that the charge of this task force be to consult broadly with the University community to: (1) define scholarship, (2) indicate the direction this definition will take Humboldt State University in response to the WASC report, and (3) outline the impact, if any, this definition will have on various activities and processes of the University such as the awarding of research monies and the retention and promotion of faculty; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University recommends that the task force bring this report on the definition of scholarship back to the Academic Senate for its consideration.