RESOLUTION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TITLE FIVE STANDARDS FOR PROBATION AND DISQUALIFICATION FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS (#17-92/93-EP)

- WHEREAS, The Academic Senate has been asked to comment on a memorandum from the Dean for Research and Graduate Studies and the Dean for Admissions and Records concerning probation and disqualification for post-baccalaureate and graduate students (dated 1-15-93); and
- WHEREAS, Humboldt State University needs to move toward compliance with Title Five standards requiring students enrolled in graduate degree programs to have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA; and
- WHEREAS, In the past, Humboldt State University has had an informal policy allowing students in graduate programs to graduate with less than a 3.0 cumulative GPA if this was the result of courses not required for the degree program; and
- WHEREAS, In the past, graduate students not in a degree program and post-baccalaureate students were required to have at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA to avoid probation and disqualification; and
- WHEREAS, The policy for probation and disqualification of students was changed without consulting the faculty to require other graduate students and post-baccalaureate students to have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA because the BANNER system could not distinguish students in graduate programs from other graduate and post-baccalaureate students; and
- WHEREAS, The memorandum of 1-15-93 recommends phasing in the requirement for students in graduate and credential programs by Fall of 1994 and asks advisors to work with "course instructors to have letter grades changed to credits or no credits for courses which are not included in the candidacy list;" and
- WHEREAS, It is not the role of advisors to lobby colleagues for grade changes; and
- WHEREAS, Unclassified graduate students and students seeking a second bachelors degree should not be held to the same standards as students in graduate programs or credential programs; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University recommends that those level 5 students not enrolled in graduate or credential programs maintain at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University recommends that the Dean for Research and Graduate Studies or the Dean for Admissions and Records notify students in graduate programs who began before Fall 1993 that they can petition to not be placed on probation or disqualification for courses not included in the degree or credential program which were taken before Fall 1993.