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**Resolution on HSU Honorary Degrees Policy**  
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**RESOLVED:** That the Humboldt State University Academic Senate proposes the following revision to Section 316 of the *HSU Faculty Handbook* (2005 version):

A campus-wide announcement for nominations will be issued by the President in early September of each academic year. All nominations must be accompanied by a letter of nomination, vitae or dossier, and other documentation justifying the awarding of an honorary degree. All nominations must be received by mid-October. The Academic Senate Executive Committee shall function as the *ad hoc* Committee on Honorary Degrees in accordance with CSU policy. Review of nominations shall be completed by mid-November and a recommendation forwarded to the President and the University Executive Committee for consideration. Following consideration of the recommendations, the President may select no more than two nominations to be forwarded to the Chancellor's Office.

**RATIONALE:** *The current version of Section 316 of the HSU Faculty Handbook has become inadequate with the Guidelines for Awarding of Honorary Degrees – the California State University (BOT, January 24, 1996; updated by [Coded Memorandum AA-2004-36](#) from David Spence, November 1, 2004) which provides a system policy. Inherent in the CSU policy is the consultation by the President with the Academic Senate Executive Committee (Section V.C.).*

APPROVED – September 6, 2005