TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Philip R. Day Jr., Chancellor

SUBJECT: SPECIAL

Authorizing to increase the number of Student Trustees from one to two in accordance with Educational Code section 72023.5 to be effective for the June 1st, 2002 seating of the Student Trustee. This policy will be piloted for five years, evaluated annually and board action will be required in 2007 to renew this resolution.
(Resolution No. 020321-S4)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On December 14, 2000, the board passed resolution NO. 000622-S1 adopting procedures (entitled Guidelines for Student Trustee Elections and Recall- CCSF) to in accordance with Educational Code section 7203.5. The resolution called for the election of the student trustee, rather than using a district wide selection committee. The resolution further stated that the Chancellor would make the final determination of the date of the first election in consultation with the Associated Students Executive Board. It was mutually agreed that the first election would take place in Spring 2002.

In the Fall 2001, the Chancellor convened a study group comprised of administrators, students, and faculty to review the current structure of student governance and to make recommendations to him to improve structure of student governance district wide. One of the recommendations of the study group is to expand the number of student trustees from one to two. Moreover, there would be a district wide election to select two trustees (each of the two elected trustees must be from a different campus). The intent is to have broad representation of student concerns and no single campus would have exclusive representation as student trustees.

The reasons are as follows:

1. The 1994 Accreditation Study recommended that the Student Trustee be an elected position rather than an appointed position. The 1998 Accreditation Study again request that the selection process of the student trustee be further reviewed.
2. It is difficult if not impossible for one individual student to be knowledgeable and versed in representing over 100,000 students at 9 campuses.

Moreover, it would encourage both student trustees to work collaboratively to support all CCSF students. The Student Trustees would also co-convene the newly constituted AS Executive Board.

RECOMMENDATION:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Trustees would approve the number of student trustees to be increased from one to two (the two trustees must not be from the same campus). The duties, responsibilities, and election of the two trustees be consistent with the parameters of approved in resolution no 00622-S-1.

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Chancellor or his designee will annually evaluate the appropriateness and effectiveness of this pilot for 5 years commencing in the Spring 2002. This resolution will require board action in 2007 to renew this resolution.

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