Faculty Senate Resolution

To SCSU President J. Philip Smith

From Arthur Paulson, President of the SCSU Faculty Senate

The attached Resolution of the Faculty Senate regards

The Resolution is presented to you for your [ x ] APPROVAL
[    ] INFORMATION

After considering this resolution, please indicate your action on this form and return it to the President of the Faculty Senate.

In accordance with the CSU-AAUP Contract (Article 5.10), the President of the University will return the Resolution to the President of the Senate within 15 school days of the receipt of the Resolution.

cc: Ellen R. Beatty

Arthur Paulson, President, Faculty Senate

4/28/2004

Date

ENDORSEMENT of Faculty Senate Resolution,

To: Arthur Paulson, President SCSU Faculty Senate
From J. Phil Smith, President of the University

Motion APPROVED
2 Motion DISAPPROVED x (attach statement)
3 Motion NOTED
4 Comments See attached.

4/27/04

Signature
Technology Resolution – Information Technology Competencies

Whereas SCSU exists for the primary purpose of furthering academic excellence; and

Whereas academic excellence in this technological age requires a certain level of Information Technology (IT) skills and knowledge; and

Whereas historically there has been a gap between the necessity for a variety of IT skills and the funding made available;

The Faculty Senate resolves that SCSU adopt and provide appropriate resources for implementation and evaluation of the following essential IT competencies for its students:

1) Demonstrate the ability to navigate and manage files by utilizing basic computer operating systems.
2) Create effective documents, e.g., term papers, professional papers, creative writing samples, by utilizing word processing software.
3) Demonstrate the ability to develop an effective presentation by utilizing presentation software packages.
4) Use technology to communicate and collaborate effectively with other people, e.g. e-mail.
5) Demonstrate the ability to manage, organize, and analyze information effectively by utilizing spreadsheet software.
6) Demonstrate an understanding of internet browser capabilities by accessing information from the World Wide Web.
7) Demonstrate an ability to search bibliographic databases and the World Wide Web effectively in order to retrieve, evaluate, and cite information.
8) Adhere to legal, ethical, privacy, and security industry standards regarding the use of computers and technology.
We are in agreement concerning the importance of IT competencies and the need to address them. The resolution, however, would mandate that "appropriate resources" be committed to insure IT competencies without a full understanding of just what those resources would amount to. This matter needs further study and explication. Further, because the proposed resolution appears to concern curricular matters, I recommend that the issue it addresses be referred to the UCF.