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At its meeting of February 25, 2002, the Academic Senate passed the following Policy Recommendation presented by Allison Heisch for the University Library Board.

POLICY RECOMMENDATION
MODIFICATION TO SJSU LIBRARY POLICY F98-5, SEC. 3.3.2 and 3.3.7
FOR PILOT PROJECT REGARDING FOOD AND DRINK IN THE LIBRARY

- Whereas: The University Library has reviewed the literature on the policies of various libraries regarding patrons' ability to bring food and/or drink into a library and the findings have been shared with the University Library Board; and
- Whereas: The University Library Board has considered and discussed the desirability of conducting a 9-month trial during which covered drinks will be permitted in Clark Library except in places where posted, and
- Whereas: students have difficulty finding refreshments late at night near the library, and
- Whereas: total prohibition of refreshments has proven impossible to enforce at Clark Library, and
- Whereas: the *new* Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library will contain a café and restricted eating and drinking is expected to be allowed in the library in designated areas, and
- Whereas: some experience in implementing a limited refreshment policy is desirable before finalizing refreshment policies for the *new* King Library; now therefore be it
- Resolved: that SJSU Senate approve a waiver of Senate policy F98-5, sections 3.3.2 and 3.3.7 to permit the Clark Library to conduct a 9-month pilot project during which time covered drinks will be allowed in the Library except where posted to the contrary, and be it further
- Resolved: that near the end of the pilot project period, the Library will assess the impact of the pilot project in relation to 1) additional damage to library property and collection including damage to carpet or fixtures; 2) increased cleaning costs; 3) trash disposal problems; 4) disruptive behavior; 5) library user, library staff, custodial staff, Security Specialist's recommendations about the change and report to the ULB which, in turn, will report to the Academic Senate.

See attached Food and Drink Policy statement to be used during the 9-month pilot project.

SJSU Clark Library Food and Drink Policy for 9-Month Pilot Project Beginning March 1, 2002

During the 9 months beginning March 1, 2002, covered drinks will be allowed in the Clark Library except in places where posted.

Near the end of the trial period, the Library will assess the impact of the pilot project in relation to 1) additional damage to library property and collection, including damage to carpet or fixtures; 2) increased cleaning costs; 3) trash disposal problems; 4) disruptive behavior; 5) library user, library staff, custodial staff Security Specialist's recommendations about the change. The Library will report its findings to the University Library Board. The