Resolution 98.2.4 – Provide Faculty with Computers for Email Communication and Internet Access:

Whereas most important campus, district and statewide communication is now done through email, and

Whereas the SDCCD Assistant Chancellor is working to create a new, streamlined, technology-based process for curriculum management, and

Whereas the new fiber optic backbone permits access to the Internet from most locations on campus, and

Whereas funds are being made available to faculty (for example the Telecommunications and Technology Infrastructure Program is providing \$50,000 to Mesa this semester) to train faculty and staff in the use of technology so that they will be able to utilize instructional resources such as email, distance education, on-line discussion groups, Web based research and communication tools, use of graphic, video graphic, and virtual reality tools for creating learning objects, on-line counseling tools, etc., and

Whereas a personal computer placed in one's primary working area is absolutely necessary in order to learn how to use and to access all of the above mentioned technologies in a convenient manner,

Therefore be it resolved that the San Diego Mesa college Academic Senate requests that equipment funding necessary to support providing a computer to every contract faculty who want one, be given the highest priority in this year's college budget process. equipment

Be it further resolved, that these computers be networked, robust enough to support district standards for email, Internet and word processing, and represent the platform appropriate to support the instructional requirements of the faculty member.

Approved by the Academic Senate: March 9, 1998 (Unanimously)