MEMORANDUM

To: President's Council
From: DTF on Food Service

On October 21st members of the Food Service DTF and the following interested parties met to discuss food in the Library Building:

Larry Stenberg
Robin Geiger
Chad Lewis
Malcolm Stilson
Bill Kenworthy
Don Parry
Don Tipton
Jerry Schilling
Ron Hoffman

The results of the meeting are as follows:

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is the recommendation of the DTF that consumption of food be allowed throughout the Dan Evans Library Building with the exception of the Bookstore and the "Library areas" within the building.

PREVIOUS ACTION

5. Discussion by the President's Council.

DISCUSSION

There was general agreement that food consumption (including catered events, brown bag lunches, coffee service, vending service, etc.) is inconsistent with the floor covering provided in the Library Building and will lead to an increased rate of deterioration. However, it was also agreed that food service throughout the building is consistent with the needs and desires of the students, faculty and staff.
It was impossible for the DTF to assess or project budgetary impact of early carpet replacement or extra maintenance. Several possible preventative measures were considered including use of student custodians and the placement of cleaning kits throughout the building for use in case of spills. Physical Plant will examine these possibilities in conjunction with normal maintenance programs.

When accommodating large groups where food service is desired, it was suggested that the bricked areas, food service area, and center room of the Lecture Hall complex be used whenever possible. Locating large group food service in these above listed facilities should minimize maintenance concerns.

The DTF's position is that food should be prohibited in only two specific areas of the building. To protect the collection, no food should be allowed in the public library areas (floors two and three, wing A). To protect sales merchandise, no food should be allowed on the bookstore sales floor.

It was recognized that any other combination of policy statements concerning food consumption would require a considerable policing effort and would seriously affect the moral of all parties. It is hoped that the DTF's recommendations are realistic enough to be an observed policy rather than an ignored policy.