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**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE**

**STUDENT SENATE**

**CLASSIFICATION IN SUPPORT OF A SPECIAL ELECTION TO REASSESS UW-EAU**  
**CLAIRE'S MEMBERSHIP IN UNITED COUNCIL**

**NUMBER 53-B-6 DATE October 12, 2009**

**INTRODUCED BY JANNA CASPERSEN, UNITED COUNCIL DELEGATION LEADER**  
**AND ON-CAMPUS SENATOR**

1           **WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Student Senate serves**  
2 **all students at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire; and**

3           **WHEREAS, it is important for students around the UW System to come**  
4 **together for a unified student voice to make concrete victories for students in**  
5 **Wisconsin; and**

6           **WHEREAS, United Council of UW Students, Inc. is a statewide student**  
7 **association whose mission is "To represent all students of the University of**  
8 **Wisconsin System and advocate for them on issues of higher education**  
9 **pertaining to value, quality, and the student experience"; and**

10           **WHEREAS, United Council of UW Students is one of the oldest, largest,**

11 and most effective statewide student associations in the United States; and

12 WHEREAS, according to University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Student  
13 Senate Governing Documents, there shall be an annual referendum to renew  
14 membership in United council of UW Students; and

15 WHEREAS, the last special election was held in the spring of 2008; and

16 WHEREAS, special elections are a necessary and important form of  
17 student voice that needs to be heard on this issue;

18 BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the UW-Eau Claire Student Senate  
19 authorizes for a special election to address our membership within United  
20 Council; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the special election will include a  
22 referendum in which the question will be in accordance with UW Board of  
23 Regents Policy 30-4; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the referendum question will be as  
25 follows:

26 “The students at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire agree to support  
27 United council with the understanding that a mandatory refundable fee of \$2.00  
28 per semester and \$2.00 per summer session would be paid. The mandatory  
29 refundable fee amount plus postage is refundable upon written request to the  
30 United Council postmarked within 45 days of the first day of class. If this  
31 referendum passes, it will come up for reconsideration at least every two years.  
32 The fee may be adjusted between referenda by the Board of Regents”; and

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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the referendum will have two possible  
35 answers:

36 Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
37 No \_\_\_\_\_

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

39 **Student Senate will conduct a referendum on United Council membership**  
40 **November 19-20, 2009; and**

41 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the referendum will be administered**  
42 **through the online Qualtrics survey style voting system; and**

43 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the results of the referendum will be**  
44 **filtered through University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Student Senate's project**  
45 **coordinator to be stripped of all voter identification; and**

46 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Student Senate at UW-Eau Claire fully**  
47 **supports and encourages continued membership in United Council of UW**  
48 **Students and the delegation leader will actively participate in volunteer**  
49 **recruitment and campaigning the student body to vote YES on the referendum;**  
50 **and**

51 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President Umhoefer**  
52 **transmit a copy of this bill to Dr. Brian Levin-Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia**  
53 **Kleine, Provost/Vice Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig, Vice Chancellor, Student**  
54 **Affairs; Dr. Susan Harrison, Chair, University Senate; Michael Moscicke,**  
55 **Government Relations Director, United Council; and Jodi Thesing-Ritter,**  
56 **Associate Dean of Students, Dean of Students Office.**