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Passed by Roll Call Vote 22-5-2
March 8, 2010

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING RIGHTS FOR
UW-EAU CLAIRE FACULTY

1 WHEREAS, academic excellence at the University of
2 Wisconsin-Eau Claire is dependent upon empowered faculty and
3 academic staff; and

4 WHEREAS, there is, currently, no ability for UW-Eau Claire
5 faculty representatives to negotiate terms of employment on
6 behalf of the collective faculty; and

7 WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Biennial Budget, signed June 29,
8 2009 by Governor Jim Doyle allows UW System faculty and academic
9 staff to seek collective bargaining rights; and

10 WHEREAS, collective bargaining is the only way to assure
11 that faculty and academic staff have a meaningful voice in the
12 mission of our university and the operations of our campus; and

13 WHEREAS, collective bargaining correlates directly with
14 better salaries and benefits, as well as the ability to recruit
15 and retain the world-class faculty and academic staff that our
16 institution deserves; and

17 WHEREAS, The American Federation of Teachers has already
18 collected greater than the number of required signatures to
19 facilitate a vote on collective bargaining;

20 BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the University of Wisconsin-
21 Eau Claire Student Senate formally supports the establishment of
22 collective bargaining rights for UW-Eau Claire faculty and
23 encourages all parties to move forward, in good faith, with
24 future negotiations; and

25 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President
26 Umhoefer transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Brian Levin-
27 Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost/Vice
28 Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig, Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs;
29 Dr. Susan Harrison, Chair, University Senate; Dave Gessner,
30 Assistant Chancellor, Budget & Finance; Jim Bakken, Organizer,
31 American Federation of Teachers; Dr. Marty Wood, Dean, College
32 of Arts & Sciences; Dr. Thomas Dock, Dean, College of Business;
33 Dr. Mary Zwygart, Interim Dean, College of Nursing & Health
34 Sciences; Dr. Gail Scukanec, Dean, College of Education & Human
35 Sciences; and Jodi Thesing-Ritter, Associate Dean of Students,
36 Dean of Students Office.

SUBMITTED BY:
Collin Hawkins, Off-Campus Senator
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