

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF CHANGING UW SYSTEM FINANCIAL POLICY 50
TO FULLY ACHIEVE SHARED GOVERNANCE FOR STUDENTS

1 WHEREAS, UW System Financial Policy 50 is the major policy
2 of UW System regarding segregated fees and their allocation at
3 UW campuses; and

4 WHEREAS, F50 establishes that there is a classification of
5 segregated fees referred to as "non-allocable" fees; and

6 WHEREAS, these fees include those "that are used to support
7 long-term commitments for fixed financial obligations, ongoing
8 operating costs of university owned or controlled buildings, and
9 similar commitments for student unions, health centers, child
10 care centers and recreational sports centers;" and

11 WHEREAS, "non-allocable" fees are set at the purview of the
12 Chancellor in consultation with students; and

13 WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute 36.09(5) states that, "As
14 such, students shall have the primary responsibility for the
15 formulation and review of policies concerning student life,
16 services, and interests" and "Students in consultation with the
17 chancellor and subject to the final confirmation of the board
18 shall have the responsibility for the disposition of those

19 student fees which constitute substantial support for the campus
20 student activities;" and

21 WHEREAS, some of these services designated as non-allocable
22 deal substantially with policies concerning student life,
23 services and interests for which students have the primary
24 responsibility; and

25 WHEREAS, some of these services designated as non-allocable
26 constitute substantial support for campus student activities and
27 therefore should be set by students in consultation with the
28 Chancellor and approved by the Board of Regents; and

29 WHEREAS, at UW-Eau Claire non-allocables include
30 recreation, parking office, and university centers; and

31 WHEREAS, at UW-Eau Claire allocable include athletics,
32 health services, and countless other programs with "long-term
33 obligations;" and

34 WHEREAS, the Student Senate of UW-Eau Claire has a long and
35 respected history of meaningful deliberations and ultimately
36 responsible allocation of fees to programs vital to the
37 functioning of the University;

38 BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Student Senate of UW-Eau
39 Claire calls for a comprehensive review of F50 that restores
40 legal student control of all fees which constitute substantial
41 support for campus student activities; and

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper representations of
43 UW-Eau Claire Student Senate should pursue a change in the
44 University's non-allocable segregated fee policy; and

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this change should be one that
46 grants students their legal authority under 36.09(5) and in
47 holding to the State's strong tradition of shared governance, to
48 be primarily responsible for the allocation of student fees, in
49 consultation with the Chancellor; and

50 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage a copy of this
51 resolution be sent to Dr. Brian Levin-Stankevich, Chancellor;
52 Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost/Vice Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig,
53 Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs; Dr. Brian Carlisle, Dean of
54 Students; Dr. Susan Harrison, Chair, University Senate; Dave
55 Gessner, Assistant Chancellor, Budget & Finance; UW System
56 President Kevin Reilly; President Michael Spector, Board of
57 Regents; and Thomas Stafford, UW System Legal Department.

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