WHEREAS, the Student Senate Information Technology Commission prides itself on providing innovative technologies to the UW-Eau Claire campus; and

WHEREAS, a goal of Student Senate is to create partnerships throughout the university; and

WHEREAS, Counseling Services provides invaluable services to the student body; and

WHEREAS, the demand for services offered through Counseling Services continues to increase; and

WHEREAS, Counseling Services has requested to increase its capacity by asking for a special allocation in the amount of $1956.67 for biofeedback equipment; and

WHEREAS, the biofeedback station will provide students with instant feedback regarding stress and stress management; and
WHEREAS, this helps students get connected with Counseling Services in a more timely fashion; and

WHEREAS, biofeedback is not a replacement for counseling; and

WHEREAS, biofeedback would serve as a compliment to treatments offered; and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology Commission unanimously passed a funding request for the purchase and installation of one biofeedback station; and

WHEREAS, continuous data monitoring will be beneficial for evaluating effectiveness of biofeedback;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Student Senate authorizes the transfer of $1956.67 from the “Innovative Projects” line item of the Student Technology Fee to Counseling Services for all upfront costs of the biofeedback station; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any funds not used by the project be returned to the Student Technology Fee account; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President Fish transmit a copy of this bill to Dr. James Schmidt, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost/Vice Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig, Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs; Dr. Joseph Abhold, Dean of Students; Mitch Freymiller, Chair, University Senate; Dr. Martin Hanifin, Vice Chancellor, Administration & Finance; Mark Reeves, Director, Business Services; Jim Boulter, Professor, Chemistry Department; Christina Hupy, Sustainability Fellow; Lynn Wilson, Counseling Services; and Craig Mey, LTS.