WHEREAS, the Viennese Ball is one of the largest and most famous events held at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire each year; and

WHEREAS, an overwhelming majority of performers, workers and facilitators for the Viennese Ball are also ambitious students; and

WHEREAS, this event is held in the Davies Student Center, a facility that has been fully planned, purchased, and utilized by the student body; and

WHEREAS, the Viennese Ball is an important fundraising event, whose sole beneficiaries are deserving students; and

WHEREAS, Blu the Blugold mascot is recognized by the student body as the official mascot of the students of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire; and

WHEREAS, Blu the Blugold mascot has also gained significant support from members of administration and faculty; and

WHEREAS, Blu the Blugold mascot has been featured at a wide
range of University and community events, not limited to athletic
functions; and

WHEREAS, featuring Blu the Blugold mascot at the 2016 Viennese
Ball, will effectively demonstrate the spirit and excellence of
the students at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire; and

WHEREAS, featuring Blu the Blugold mascot at the 2016 Viennese
Ball, will serve to remind UW-Eau Claire alumni and community
attendees that the focus of the Ball is on student accomplishment
and scholarship;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Student Senate of the
University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire supports featuring Blu the
Blugold mascot at the Viennese Ball; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any appropriate conditions shall
be met to ensure that Blu the Blugold mascot adheres to the codes
of dress and behavior that are required for attendance at the
Viennese Ball and expected from a bird of noble standing; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage a copy of this
resolution be sent 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; Charles Farrell,
Director, University Centers; Karen Stuber, Executive Director,
Viennese Ball; and Barbara McAdams, Secretary, Viennese Ball.
SUBMITTED BY
Stephen Kahlow, Viennese Ball Volunteer Coordinator
and Off-Campus Senator
April 6, 2015