WHEREAS, the practice of shared governance has long been the tradition of policy formulation in the University of Wisconsin System; and

WHEREAS, shared governance was instituted by Wisconsin State Statute 36.09.05; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 modifications were made by the State Legislature to modify provisions within shared governance policy; and

WHEREAS, the previous policy read, “The students of each institution or campus subject to the responsibilities and powers of the board, the president, the chancellor and the faculty shall be active participants in the immediate governance of and policy development for such institutions. As such, students shall have primary responsibility for the formulation and review of policies concerning student life, services and interests. Students in consultation with the chancellor and subject to the final confirmation of the board shall have the responsibility for the disposition of those student fees which constitute substantial support for campus student activities. The students of each institution or campus shall have the right to organize themselves in a manner they determine and to select their representatives to participate in institutional
WHEREAS, the current policy reads, "The students of each institution or campus subject to the responsibilities and powers of the board, the president, the chancellor, and the faculty shall have primary responsibility for advising the chancellor regarding the formulation and review of policies concerning student life, services, and interests. Students in consultation with the chancellor and subject to the final confirmation of the board shall have the responsibility for the disposition of those student fees which constitute substantial support for campus student activities. The students of each institution or campus shall have the right to organize themselves in a manner they determine and to select their representatives to participate in institutional governance"; and

WHEREAS, restoring shared governance to its form prior to 2015 would allow students to have a greater say in decisions made regarding student life, services and interests.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED upon the passage of this resolution, the Student Senate of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire establishes its position and commits to advancing this cause; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Student Senate of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire will advocate that these rights be restored in the upcoming State of Wisconsin legislative session; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Student Senate of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire calls on our fellow student governments to adopt similar resolutions supporting efforts to restore shared governance for students in the University of Wisconsin System; and
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President Sukhu transmit a

        copy of this resolution 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;
        Kristen Hendrickson, Budget and Resource Planning.

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