WHEREAS, due to unforeseen costs relating to site improvements, the planned Children’s Center project has been pushed prohibitively over-budget; and

WHEREAS, the Chancellor may decide to suspend construction of the new Center in favor of leasing off-campus facilities for the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, asbestos removal in the current Children’s Center makes it unfit for occupation in the 2011-2012 spring semester; and

WHEREAS, students pay a yearly $17.00 Children’s Center Construction Fee (beginning in the 2009-2010 budget cycle) which is designated solely to finance debt service on a newly constructed Children’s Center over the course of twenty years; and
WHEREAS, the financing is not needed at this time; and
WHEREAS, leasing a facility will necessitate funding support costs including utilities, lease or rental payments, fixtures or equipment, minor remodeling, etc.; and
WHEREAS, the Children’s Center Construction Fee is an allocable fee giving Student Senate the authority to change its description while keeping its intent relatively the same; and
WHEREAS, the Finance Commission voted 10-0-1 in favor of re-defining the Children’s Center Construction Fee as the Children’s Center Facilities Support Fee; and
WHEREAS, this re-definition could be reverted back to its original parameters upon the decision to move ahead with new construction;
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Student Senate approves re-defining the Children’s Center Construction Fee as the Children’s Center Facilities support Fee; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Facilities Support Fee will be for the purpose of supporting costs including utilities, lease or rental payments, fixtures or equipment, minor remodeling, etc.; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this change will include the previous two years of Construction Fee as well as the remaining eighteen years; and
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President Rynish transmit a copy of this bill to Dr. Brian Levin-Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost/Vice Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig, Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs; Dr. Brian Carlisle, Dean of Students; Dave Gessner, Assistant Chancellor, Budget &
Finance; Dr. Susan Harrison, Chair, University Senate; Jodi Thesing-Ritter, Associate Dean of Students; Rebecca Wurzer, Director, Children’s Center; Kelly Micolichek, Assistant Director, Children's Center; and Doris Hebert, Office Manager, Children’s Center.