

**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE**

**Bill: Student Initiative: Latinx Cultural Center
NUMBER 63-B-9 DATE: February 24, 2020
INTRODUCED BY: David Miller; Finance Commission Director
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1 WHEREAS, Student Senate Finance Commission adopted a new bylaw during the 2017-2018 school to
2 allow for student initiatives to be funded by segregated fees; and

3 WHEREAS, this bylaw may be found in CHAPTER XII, SUBCHAPTER 9, PART 6, Section 1: ORGANIZED
4 ACTIVITIES SPECIAL ALLOCATION ACCOUNT of the Student Senate Bylaws; and

5 WHEREAS, in 2019, students that identify as Latinx became the largest populations of students of
6 color at the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire; and

7 WHEREAS, Latinx students expressed that a dedicated space would make them feel more connected
8 to the campus; and

9 WHEREAS, the Hibbard Hall Penthouse was dedicated to serve as the new Latinx Cultural Center this
10 year; and

11 WHEREAS, the Office of Multicultural Affairs created a two-phase plan to renovate the new Latinx
12 Cultural Center; and

13 WHEREAS, the Office of Multicultural Affairs requested funds to renovate the space during the first
14 phase; and

15 WHEREAS, this request would fund the renovations of walls, secure entry, and ventilation ducts; and

16 WHEREAS, the Student Senate Finance Commission received a presentation from the Director of the
17 Office of Multicultural Affairs at their weekly meeting on February 19, 2020; and

18 WHEREAS, Student Senate Finance Commission evaluated, exchanged ideas, deliberated and voted on
19 the student initiative; and

20 WHEREAS, Student Senate Finance Commission passed a motion to fund this initiative for the full
21 \$9,866;

22 BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that upon passage, Senate Student will allocate \$9,688 to help fund
23 renovations for the Latinx Cultural Center; and

24 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President Johnson transmit a copy to Dr. James
25 Schmidt, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Klein, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Dr. Warren
26 Anderson, Vice Chancellor, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Student Affairs; Albert Colom, Vice
27 Chancellor, Enrollment Management; John Haven III, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration; Dr.
28 LaRue Pierce, Dean of Students; Evan Weiher, University Senate; Kristin Teresa O’Halloran, Director of
29 Affirmative Action; Tracy Drier, Director of Budget and Resource Planning; Dang Yang, Director of Office
30 of Multicultural Affairs; Diana Zarate, Associate Student Services Coordinator.