



MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Student Assembly

**FROM: Justin Shanley, Representative, University Colleges
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DATE: November 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Whistle Blower Protection

We recommend that the Student Assembly of the State University of New York adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, university faculty, staff, and administrators have union protection against unjust recourse, and;

Whereas, tuition and fee paying students are left without similar representation, and;

Whereas, SUNY students who expose misconduct fear recourses being imposed upon them, and;

Whereas, incidents at various SUNY campuses have resulted in unjust recourses against students, and;

Whereas, the recourse against students could include possible removal from the university, therefore, be it;

Resolved, no student should fear retribution for exposing misconduct by university personnel, be it further;

Resolved, SUNY students should be afforded similar protections as University Personnel would receive from their union, and, be it further;

Resolved, the Student Assembly of the State University of New York supports whistleblower protection for students, similar to that of the Good Samaritan Policy, and, finally be it;

Resolved, that copies of this resolution be distributed widely, but not limited to, the SUNY Board of Trustees, SUNY Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher, University Faculty Senate, Faculty Council of Community Colleges, SUNY Campus Presidents, and SUNY Student Government Associations.