



SUMMARY OF ACTIONS
SUNY STUDENT ASSEMBLY CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS
NOVEMBER 8th - 10th FALL CONFERENCE
ROCHESTER

1314-38 2013 – 2014 Student Assembly University-wide Policy Agenda

Resolved that the Student Assembly endorses the 2013-2014 University-wide Policy Agenda and authorizes the President and the Executive Committee to implement the policy priorities outlined within and to make any necessary case-by-case adjustments as the policy process might warrant.

- **Academic Affairs**
 - Advising on all campuses, incorporate Open SUNY/SUNY Online
 - Training faculty online & easy credit transfer
 - Creating a list of each campuses advisement resources
- **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion**
 - Increase transparency between campuses with resources
 - coordinate with Josh to create website function of resources
 - coordinate with Doreen Nieves to obtain compiled resources
- **Veterans Affairs**
 - Improving processes for identifying Veterans in the SUNY system
 - Adding GI Bill/Veteran section to SmartTrack
 - Training for school certifying officials on best practices
 - In-state Tuition rates for students that are veterans

This resolution was passed. It was adopted on November 9th 2013.

1314-39 2013 – 2014 Legislative Agenda

This resolution was passed. It was adopted on November 9th 2013.

1314-40 Textbook Affordability Solutions

Resolved that in order to ease the financial burden on students, the Student Assembly of the State University of New York urges SUNY campus bookstores, the SUNY faculty and all necessary parties to adopt the various recommendations outlined in this resolution; and, be it further

Resolved that the SUNY Student Assembly recognizes the efforts that SUNY is already making in this regard including the development of new “Open SUNY Textbooks” that will allow open access to free faculty-developed textbooks for some of the most popular electives and majors beginning in the fall; and, be it further

Resolved that the Student Assembly urges all SUNY campus administrations, SUNY faculty and campus bookstores to explore ways to increase faculty knowledge of the low or no cost textbook alternatives



available by incorporating presentations into faculty orientations and other training programs or events, hosting system wide webinars explaining how to find and use the no/low cost materials, and by facilitating strong outreach and advertising campaigns; and, be it finally

Resolved that copies of this resolutions be distributed widely, including, 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.

This resolution was passed. It was adopted on November 9th 2013.

1314-42 Whistle Blower Protection

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.

This resolution was passed. It was adopted on November 9th 2013.

1314-43 Support for SUNY Child Care Centers

Resolved that in order to continue to support the success of SUNY students, the Student Assembly urges SUNY System Administration and all necessary parties to advocate for an increase to the financial support made available to student parents for child care; and, be it further

Resolved that the Student Assembly urges all SUNY campus administrations with child care centers to continue to ensure that student parents are made aware of the child care services that are available to them as well as the available financial support; and, be it finally

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1314-44 Contingent Faculty Pay Equity

Resolved that the SUNY Student Assembly consider the treatment of contingent faculty to be unfair and harmful to academic quality; and, be it further

Resolved that the SUNY Student Assembly call on SUNY System Administration to pay all contingent faculty members a minimum starting salary of \$5,000 per standard three-credit course; and, be it further

Resolved that the SUNY Student Assembly recommend that departments, whenever possible, offer two courses to a contingent faculty member making them eligible for benefits; and, be it finally

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.

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