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SA2021-018: Resolution to Create COVID-19 Policy Research Committee

DATE: September 30th, 2020

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WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic has caused many changes that have reverberated throughout student’s academic, social, and professional lives; and

WHEREAS Centers for Disease Control guidance, state and local mandates, and administrative policies are being updated rapidly as information changes; and

WHEREAS the student body deserves transparency and accessibility to their administrative policies; and

WHEREAS some students may not have access to, or may struggle to find, administrative policies and statistics as they are updated; and

WHEREAS the Student Senate was organized to convert the opinions of the general student body into legislative policies; and

WHEREAS Article IV, Section 4(b) of the University of Wisconsin- La Crosse Student Association Constitution states that it is the responsibility of the Senators “...To actively seek out and gather student opinion on issues of student life and formulate these issues into legislation...;” and

WHEREAS we must determine what concerns, if any, the general student body has about transparency and COVID-19 policies, in order to uphold and protect the University of Wisconsin- La Crosse Student Association Constitution;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Student Senate will create an ad hoc committee to investigate student opinions with regards to COVID-19 response policies, with the goal of advising the full Senate, Chancellor’s Office, and the College Deans on the views of the general student body.

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Olivia Ahnen
President, Student Senate
Vice President, Student Association

09-30-2020

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Cate Wiza
President, Student Association

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Motion to Commit

This form is to establish the intent of the ad hoc committee and to referred to as the group progresses through its session.

Date: 09/30/2020

Proposed by: Jared Zwettler

Number of members requested: 7

Names of Senators:

Jared Zwettler

Names of At-Large members:

Name of ad hoc committee: COVID-19 Policy Research Committee

Intent of ad hoc committee:

To investigate actions that the Student Senate can take to improve transparency between the administration, student staff members, and the general student body; and

To perform research to better inform the Senate, Chancellor's Office, and the College Deans on the views of the student body with regards to COVID-19 response policies.

Expected timeline:

September 30th, 2020 to December 2nd, 2020, preliminary report on December 2nd, 2020- Design and implement surveys to research the current attitudes of the student body and the administration with regards to COVID-19 policy transparency.

December 3rd, 2020- December 31st, 2020-

Organize data and provide a summary of current student opinions for the Student Senate to be presented at the next weekly meeting in order to better inform the Student Senate on COVID-19 related policies during the Spring 2021 semester.

January 1st, 2021 to May 5th, 2021, final report on May 5th, 2021-

Advise the Student Senate on a weekly basis regarding any resolutions or policies related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Refine survey methods and continue to monitor the opinions of the student body in order to accurately inform the Senate. Maintain communication with the Chancellor's Office and College Deans as deemed necessary by the committee.