

**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS  
URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE**

Prefiled Resolution

RS.12.02 Resolution on Enrollment Management, Diversity, and Shared Governance

WHEREAS the Enrollment Management Report commissioned by the University President's office addresses vital issues with respect to admissions, recruitment, and diversity at the three campuses of the University of Illinois, and

WHEREAS the UIUC Academic Senate Enrollment Management Task Force has issued a considered response acknowledging the recommendations of the Report that should be acted upon immediately, and collaboratively undertaken, and

WHEREAS the University Senates Conference has issued a similar report, and

WHEREAS the Task Force advocates that many recommendations await the establishment of collaborative processes within the contexts of campus-specific imperatives, and

WHEREAS neither the Report nor the Task Force has adequately addressed support needed to retain students from underrepresented groups, local conditions that impede retention, and the range of diversity parameters including race, gender, and economic status, and

WHEREAS the Task Force also advocated against implementing a number of recommendations in their current form, in most cases because they compromise the particular identity, missions, and academic strengths of the three campuses, and

WHEREAS the call for new University-level Enrollment Managers further bloats an already top-heavy and extraordinarily expensive University Administration, and

WHEREAS these recommendations echo the wider trend toward administrative centralization at the expense of shared governance bodies, and

WHEREAS recent news of administrative misconduct augments these concerns,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the UIUC Academic Senate reiterates its support for the Task Force proposals, particularly the facilitation of meaningful collaboration of campus faculty, enrollment managers and administrators in any new initiative, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate calls upon the Board of Trustees to postpone any implementation of recommendations other than those implementing campus level enrollment plans and collaborative mechanisms, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate calls for effective campus-level programs for the support and retention of students from underrepresented groups, and initiatives to sustain faculty from those groups, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate calls for attention not only to the timing but the level of tuition so that the University may be truly accessible to students from diverse backgrounds, seeking economies especially at the level of the University and campus administrations rather than core missions and,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate urges the President and the University Administration to reaffirm, in word and deed, a commitment to genuine shared governance where the advice of the faculty is not only encouraged but seriously considered, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution be transmitted to the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, the University President, and the UIUC Chancellor and Interim Provost.

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