Shawnee State University University Faculty Senate Motion of Displeasure

WHEREAS, the University Faculty Senate (UFS) is a core component of shared governance at the University, and;

WHEREAS, UFS General Meetings are open to the public and audio recorded, and;

WHEREAS, UFS General Meetings provide an opportunity for faculty to express their views on educational policy and procedures and other matters pertinent to shared governance, and;

WHEREAS, the UFS invites members of administration to speak and provide reports at general meetings, and;

WHEREAS, the UFS recognizes and expects the free, open, and respectful expression of differing opinions, and;

WHEREAS, the Associate Provost's verbal response to faculty criticism of the Provost Office's response to the Department of Natural Sciences Resolution 001 was out of order (personally directed toward a sitting senator, rather than the UFS President), unprofessional, argumentative, and showed a lack of respect for the process and ideal of shared governance and the free exchange of differing opinions, and;

WHEREAS, any further breaches of decorum at UFS meetings by the Associate Provost will not be condoned;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University Faculty Senate hereby expresses its displeasure in the actions of Dr. Jennifer Pauley, Associate Provost, at the UFS General Meeting held on April 22, 2024.

Be it further RESOLVED that the University Faculty Senate urges the Associate Provost to refrain from such outbursts in the future and to maintain a professional attitude towards faculty viewpoints in future meetings.

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