

**University Faculty Senate
Executive Committee
154th Plenary
SUNY Cobleskill
January 30, 2010**

**Resolution to Establish the University Faculty Senate
Special Committee for Diversity and Cultural Competence as a Standing Committee**

Whereas the University Faculty Senate has long demonstrated its commitment to the issues of diversity and cultural competence, and

Whereas consistent with that commitment, the University Faculty Senate created the Special Committee for Diversity and Cultural Competence in 2008, and

Whereas the population of New York State will continue to grow more diverse and the needs of our increasing diverse population will differ from those of the present,

Whereas higher education is one key to personal empowerment and social justice,

Whereas, inclusion of the wide range of personal experiences and diversity of perspectives are essential components of educational excellence, and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Special Committee on Diversity and Cultural Competence be made a Standing Committee of the University Faculty Senate, and that this committee be named the University Faculty Senate Committee on Diversity and Cultural Competence.

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Passed without Dissent
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