

**University Faculty Senate  
Executive Committee  
165th Plenary  
SUNY Maritime  
October 25, 2013**

**Resolution on Failure of Consultation and Shared Governance Regarding  
SUNY Educator Preparation Programs and the *New NY* Education Reform Commission**

Whereas the SUNY Board of Trustees passed “Resolution on SUNY Educator Preparation Programs and the New NY Education Reform Commission” on September 18, 2013 that establishes specific admissions criteria for teacher education programs without appropriate consultation with either the University Faculty Senate or the Faculty Council of Community Colleges, and

Whereas a core principle of shared governance is faculty responsibility for designing and teaching the curriculum, including setting admission standards for programs, and

Whereas there is a long history of effective partnership among faculty governance, the SUNY administration and the SUNY Board of Trustees on academic issues, and

Whereas Chancellor Zimpher has recognized the central role of faculty in matters of academics as well as having repeatedly voiced strong support for shared governance in the past,

Therefore, Be It Resolved

The University Faculty Senate decries the passage of said resolution without consultation with faculty governance and requests that in light of this incident the Chancellor and the SUNY Board of Trustees uphold the long-standing principles of shared governance as published in the Policies of the Board of Trustees to produce a comprehensive strategy to continue to ensure the quality of students admitted to teacher education programs.

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