

A Resolution to Improve Outreach and Engagement by Increasing Access and Improving the Experience of Diverse Students

Lauren Fechtel (for herself, Paige Bennett, Melissa Chime, Michael Frank, and David Glass) introduced the following resolution to the Steering Committee, where it passed.

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Whereas the Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students at The Ohio State University, and

Whereas preparing a diverse student body to be leaders and engaged citizens is part of The Ohio State University’s mission statement,¹ and

Whereas The Ohio State University is a land-grant university, established by the Morrill Act of 1862,² dedicated to providing access to education to citizens around the state of Ohio, and

Whereas obtaining a diverse student body starts with creating and fostering an environment to attract, maintain, and increase access to the attendance of diverse students, and

Whereas a general culture change is needed to be more inviting to minorities and supporting to students, and

Whereas the “Office of Diversity and Inclusion (ODI) supports the success of students who enhance the diversity of the University”,³ and

Therefore Let it Be Resolved that the Undergraduate Student Government (USG) at The Ohio State University encourages The Ohio State University to consider a further commitment to diversity and access to applicants, students, and citizens around the state of Ohio and the world, and

Let it Be Further Resolved that USG supports The Ohio State University’s standardization and improvement of the transition process of students coming from regional campuses to the Columbus Campus, and

¹ <http://oaa.osu.edu/vision-mission-values-goals.html>

² <https://www.ourdocuments.gov/doc.php?doc=33>

³ <http://odi.osu.edu/>

38 **Let it Further Be Resolved** that USG encourages The Ohio State University to send recruiters
39 across the nation in order to expand the University's alumni base and faculty, and

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41 **Let it Further Be Resolved** that USG recommends The Ohio State University to implement
42 more international gateways, and

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44 **Let it Further Be Resolved** that USG encourages The Ohio State University administration to
45 consider the aforementioned recommendations in the current and upcoming strategic planning
46 processes for university affairs to strengthen the state of our University.

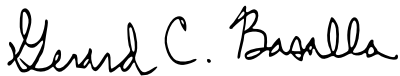
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Floor Vote: Passed.

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Date Adopted: 1/25/17

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