

Resolution on Maintaining Shared Governance in Wisconsin State Statutes

Whereas, shared governance rights for UW System faculty, academic staff, and students are articulated in Chapter 36 of state statutes;

Whereas, shared governance creates a shared, collaborative process which is crucial to the strength and health of UW-Madison and UW System;

Whereas, shared governance is a defining cultural value of UW-Madison;

Whereas, consultative and transparent processes bring the best ideas forth and foster early consensus and rational outcomes;

Whereas, shared governance is an inclusive process that is effective and avoids mistakes;

Whereas, shared governance adds accountability; and

Whereas, the proposal to create a public authority for UW System repeals this language and gives primary authority to the Board of Regents;

Therefore be it resolved, the Academic Staff Assembly is opposed to repeal of the shared governance language in Chapter 36.