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A RESOLUTION

To urge and request Academic Affairs to investigate the use of a “No Technology in the Classroom” policy by certain instructors.

PARAGRAPH 1: Whereas, currently the university is without a written “no technology in classroom” policy, therefore certain instructors have taken it upon themselves to disallow laptop use in the classroom; and

PARAGRAPH 2: Whereas, certain instructors have instituted policies allowing them to deduct points if a student uses their laptop in class; and

PARAGRAPH 3: Whereas, some students require the use of their laptop in class to remain as productive as possible in their courses, i.e. typing notes along with the lecture; and

PARAGRAPH 4: Whereas, although a student who feels this policy hinders their academic success may register with university disability services, not all students learn and study in the same manner;

PARAGRAPH 5: Therefore, be it resolved by the Louisiana State University Agricultural and Mechanical College Student Senate that we implore the University Administration to allow the use of technology such as laptops in classrooms so students remain productive in their courses and disallow the deduction of points if a student uses such technology, and

PARAGRAPH 6: Be it further resolved that a suitable copy of this Resolution be forwarded to John Hamilton, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost.

PARAGRAPH 7: This bill shall take effect upon passage by a simple majority (1/2) vote of the LSU Student Senate and signature by the President, upon lapse of time for presidential action, or if vetoed by the President and subsequently approved by the Senate, on the date of such approval.