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A RESOLUTION
TO URGE AND REQUEST THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE TO ENDORSE THE PROPOSED WITHDRAWAL DATE POLICY REVISIONS

PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY HAS EXPRESSED AN ONGOING COMMITMENT TO BE RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY AS A Tier I Research university and state flagship public institution of higher learning; and

PARAGRAPH 2: WHEREAS, AFTER RESEARCHING THE WITHDRAWAL POLICIES OF OUR REGIONAL AND NATIONAL PEER UNIVERSITIES, WE HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THE CURRENT WITHDRAWAL POLICY DOES NOT ACCURATELY REFLECT THE WITHDRAWAL POLICIES IN PLACE AT UNIVERSITIES DEEMED OUR REGIONAL AND NATIONAL PEER UNIVERSITIES; AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, THE CURRENT WITHDRAWAL POLICY ALLOWS FOR STUDENTS TO DROP A CLASS WITHOUT A WITHDRAW “W” GRADE ON THE SIXTH CLASS DAY AND ALLOWS A STUDENT TO ADD A CLASS UNTIL THE EIGHTH CLASS DAY; AND

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, THE CURRENT WITHDRAWAL POLICY ALLOWS FOR STUDENTS TO DROP A CLASS WITHOUT A WITHDRAW “W” GRADE ON THE SIXTH CLASS DAY AND ALLOWS A STUDENT TO ADD A CLASS UNTIL THE EIGHTH CLASS DAY, IT THEREFORE DOES NOT ALLOW THE TIME NEEDED FOR STUDENTS TO ACCURATELY ASSESS THEIR COURSE LOAD WITH THEIR GIVEN SCHEDULE AND WHETHER OR NOT STUDENTS FEEL THEY CAN MAINTAIN THEIR GRADES IN ANY GIVEN CLASS ON THAT SCHEDULE WITHIN THE ALLOWED TIME PERIOD; AND

PARAGRAPH 5: WHEREAS, THE PROPOSED REVISED WITHDRAWAL POLICY WILL ALLOW STUDENTS TO WITHDRAW FROM A CLASS UP TO, BUT NOT EXCEEDING THE EIGHTH DAY FOLLOWING THE BEGINNING OF CLASSES FOR THE SEMESTER. FURTHERMORE THE DATE FOR ADDING CLASSES WOULD REMAIN ON THE EIGHTH DAY, AS WELL; AND

PARAGRAPH 6: WHEREAS, THE PROPOSED REVISED WITHDRAWAL POLICY WILL ALLOW FOR STUDENTS TO HAVE GREATER FLEXIBILITY IN SCHEDULING AND WILL PLACE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY’S WITHDRAWAL DATE POLICY IN AGREEMENT WITH WITHDRAWAL POLICIES OF OUR PEER INSTITUTIONS; AND
PARAGRAPH 7: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE URGES THAT THE FACULTY SENATE REVIEW AND CONSIDER THESE PROPOSED REVISIONS, WITH THE INTENT TO PROMOTE THE ADOPTION OF SUCH REVISIONS AS THE OFFICIAL INSTITUTIONAL WITHDRAWAL DATE POLICY OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY.

PARAGRAPH 8: THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A 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.

Approved:

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Brooksie Bonvillain           J Ryan Hudson
Speaker of the Senate          Student Body President