

## **Resolution on FAC Statement reaffirming support of Shared Governance**

**Whereas** student interests are paramount at the Institutions of higher education,  
and

**Whereas** faculty interact most closely with students and thus have the best  
understanding of student needs, and

**Whereas** Faculty are closely associated with student completion of their goals,  
and

**Whereas** faculty ownership of Academic Governance including decisions on  
curricular issues, faculty hiring etc. is of utmost importance,

**Whereas** administrative input into University operations is essential, and

**Whereas** open discussion and decision making fosters a greater understanding,  
and

**Whereas** the FAC has previously come out in support of shared governance as  
stated in our document “ Shared Governance Participation in Budget Decision-  
Making and Policy Implementation” (endorsed 6/11/2010),

Be it therefore **Resolved** that we, the Faculty Advisory Council to the Illinois Board  
of Higher Education do hereby wholeheartedly reaffirm our commitment to  
shared governance at all the various public and private institutions of higher  
learning in the State of Illinois.

Be it further **Resolved** that we support the AAUP document “Financial Exigency,  
Academic Governance and Related Matters”.