

FACULTY SENATE

***Resolution Urging the Administration and the IEA/NEA Unions
at SIUC to Reach a Prompt and Equitable Resolution***

WHEREAS three groups representing the faculty, namely the Faculty Senate, Graduate Council, and Faculty Association, have accepted a Memorandum of Understanding that defines their respective responsibilities, but only the Faculty Senate represents the academic concerns of all the faculty at SIUC; and

WHEREAS a rapid resolution of contract negotiations between the SIUC administration and the four campus IEA/NEA unions is in the best interests of the students, faculty, staff, and the entire academic community; and

WHEREAS a prolonged impasse at the bargaining tables and a possible interruption to the semester will have unfortunate immediate consequences, such as a disruption to our students' progress toward graduation, and unfortunate long-term consequences, such as a disruption to our recruitment and retention efforts; and

WHEREAS the successful negotiation of contracts for the faculty and other SIUC employees will have positive long-term consequences, such as the sustaining of a high quality education for our students delivered by a faculty and staff who participate in the shared governance of our university

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate urges the SIUC administration and the Faculty Association, the Non Tenure-Track Faculty Association, the Graduate Assistants United, and the Association of Civil Service Employees to resolve their differences in good faith and with haste in order to protect the immediate and long-term interests of the university's academic community.

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