

Resolution B

Resolution of Concern on the Administration's Response to the Encampment

WHEREAS the University Faculty Senate is committed to upholding the core principles of free speech and the right to assembly for all members of the university community, including faculty, staff, and students;

WHEREAS the rights of faculty, students, and staff to engage in speech and peaceful assembly are fundamental to the values of the university community;

WHEREAS, from May 1 to May 3, 2024, an encampment was organized on the Peace Quad of Binghamton University, protesting the war in Gaza;

WHEREAS, students were threatened with punitive action if the encampment was not disbanded by 5 PM on May 3;

WHEREAS, students were fearful of punitive and policing action;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate expresses concern about the Administration's response to the encampment that took place in May 2024, particularly regarding the possibility of punitive and policing action against students involved in the peaceful demonstration.

Blue text is to provide comment/context for the senate, this is NOT part of the resolution

Comments/Questions that arose from FSEC members.

-Note, due to a preference to complete the resolutions in a timely fashion, no students have been consulted by the resolutions ad hoc committee or the FSEC to understand assembly. It is unreasonable to

spaces and other groups' rights indefinitely.

FSEC: Does NOT Endorse the resolution (vote to not endorse (majority); vote to endorse (minority); abstain (none)

FSEC: No amendments proposed at this time.

Diversity committee: comment pending