

Resolution in Support of Delaying a Vote on Resolution GG until Further Review

Whereas the proposed resolution GG on the BOT meeting of April 11, 2018, was only released to the Carbondale community a few days ago, and

Whereas the proposed time frame does not allow the SIUC campus to plan adequately for such a large cut, which would necessarily entail last-minute faculty and staff layoffs, and

Whereas the resultant sudden elimination of course offerings from the schedule in the midst of registration will further hurt the campus's recruitment and retention efforts, and

Whereas the proposed reallocation comes immediately on the heels of two years without a state budget and SIUC's efforts to repay loans to its sister campuses, and

Whereas the amount of research funding and production for the SIUC campus reported in resolution GG is questionable (e.g., publicly available data for the past 4 years indicate average external funding of approximately \$51 million/yr for SIUC - in FY2017 the campus brought in \$40.8 million which is much different than the stated \$15 million in the resolution)¹ as is the apparent omission of the Carbondale campus School of Medicine's research funding and production, and

Whereas graduate education, especially at the doctoral level, is dramatically more expensive than undergraduate education, and SIUC houses a greater number of said graduate programs, and

Whereas President Dunn has met with constituency bodies on the SIUE campus to discuss this matter, but has not discussed the proposal or the effects of the reallocation with relevant constituency bodies at SIUC, and

Whereas resolution GG itself already calls for an external review of the information, and any reallocation of state funding that is envisioned must be implemented only after a systematic study of the data, and

Whereas an appropriate time schedule must be established if any reallocation is to occur so that past and current gains on the SIUC campus will not be lost.

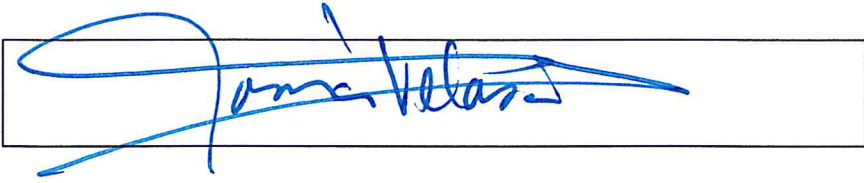
Be it therefore resolved that the Graduate Council urge the Board of Trustees to delay voting on resolution GG or any reallocation amendment until there has been further external and objective analysis of the data and ample opportunity for all stakeholders to weigh in on the matter.

Be it further resolved that if a reallocation is eventually deemed appropriate then the adversely affected campus should be given adequate time to prepare for such a cut in funding.

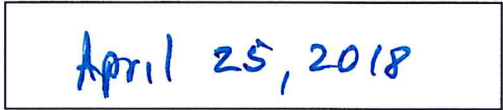
¹ <https://irs.siu.edu/university-facts/budget-finance-reports.php>

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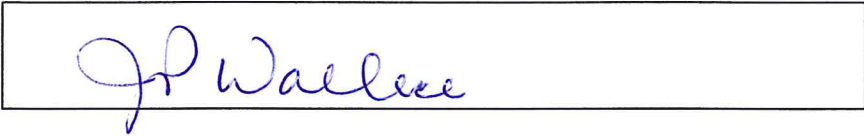
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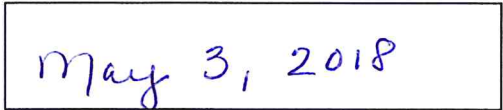
Chair, Graduate Council

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Dean, Graduate School

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