



Associated Students of Sonoma State University

## GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION

### Integration of the Seawolf Commitment

- Whereas** It is the mission of the Associated Students to enrich the lives of the students of Sonoma State University by promoting student interests through advocacy and representation; and
- Whereas** The Associated Students of Sonoma State University is the official voice of over 9,000 students that attend the institution; and
- Whereas** previous conversations around campus inclusivity led to the creation of the bias response protocol and team as requested/initiated by AS Resolution "Creating of Bias Response Protocol" from 2012-2013 which called for Sonoma State University to create a community that is inclusive and safe for all to live and learn; and
- Whereas** the bias response protocol and team serves as resources for students who face incidents of bias on campus and works to provide awareness and education of appropriate response mechanisms; and
- Whereas** the Seawolf Commitment is a student-led, campus-focused pledge aimed at creating an inclusive and ethical environment; and
- Whereas** the Seawolf Commitment identifies integrity, excellence, respect and responsibility as its core values as...  
"Integrity: I will conduct myself with integrity in my dealings with students, staff and faculty.  
Excellence: I will strive for excellence in my academic work and relationships.  
Respect: I will respect the rights and dignity of others.  
Responsibility: I will accept the responsibility to conduct myself as an ethical member of my community."; and
- Whereas** Sonoma State University has identified various grounds for student discipline in the Title V, Standards for Student Conduct and defined disruptive student behavior and subsequent response measures in the Disruptive Student Behavior policy; and
- Whereas** both aforementioned policies set guidelines against certain behaviors but does not identify or encourage positive student standards and values; and

**Whereas** various college campuses have student honor codes that identifies their fundamental values and principles in academic and non-academic endeavors and sets standards for conducting themselves in their best capacity.

**Therefore let it hereby be resolved that the Associated Students of Sonoma State University recognizes the importance of creating and sustaining an inclusive and ethical environment; and**

**Therefore let it hereby be further resolved that the Associated Students of Sonoma State University supports and endorses the Seawolf Commitment; and**

**Therefore let it hereby be further resolved that the Associated Students of Sonoma State University encourages the various student-focused entities to incorporate the Seawolf Commitment in their services where applicable; and**

**Therefore let it hereby be further resolved that the Associated Students of Sonoma State University encourages the faculty to include the Seawolf Commitment in their syllabi and incorporate it, if possible, into course content; and**

**Therefore let it hereby be further resolved that the Associated Students of Sonoma State University encourages Sonoma State University to develop a "Student Honor Code" with the Seawolf Commitment at its core; and**

**Therefore let it hereby be further resolved that the Associated Students of Sonoma State University ask that future changes to the Seawolf Commitment and/or the student honor code be brought to the AS Senate to participate in the discussion and editing process.**

**ADOPTED** AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE AS SENATE BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON NOV 14, 2016.

**CERTIFIED** AS THE TRUE AND CORRECT COPY, IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE SET MY SIGNATURE AS CHAIR OF THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY, THIS THE 10 DAY OF, November 2016.

**CERTIFIED** AS INCLUDED IN THE OFFICIAL RECORD OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY, IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE SET MY SIGNATURE AS CORPORATE SECRETARY, THIS THE 15 DAY OF, November 2016.

Rachel McCloskey  
RACHEL MCCLOSKEY, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT