Central Connecticut State University
UNIVERSITY SENATE ACTION

Senate Motion Number FS 14.15.008R

TO: President Jack Miller

FROM: President of the University Senate

1. The attached resolution of the University Senate, dealing with: Campus of Compassion is presented to you for your consideration.

2. This motion was adopted by the University Senate on 04/27/2015.

3. After considering this resolution, please indicate your action on this form, and return it together with the original copy to the President of the University Senate.

4. Under the By-Laws of the University Senate, Section 3.7, the following schedule of action is to be observed.

   a) By 05/04/2015, Senate action reported to the President of the University. (Within five school days of the session in which they are adopted).

   b) By 05/18/2015, the President of the University to return the resolution to the President of the Senate. (Within ten school days of its receipt).

   05/04/2015

   Date

   Stephen Cohen, President, University Senate

ENDORSEMENT:

TO: President of the University Senate

FROM: President Jack Miller

1. Motion Approved: ✔

2. Motion Disapproved: (Explanatory statement must be appended).

3. Action “is deferred”:

4. Resolution Noted:

5. Other:

   3/15/15

   Date

   President Jack Miller
WHEREAS,

The CCSU Student Handbook states that it is in the best interest of students “to help create a world, a community, and a campus of compassion, equality, and justice for all people”, and

That Central Connecticut State University aspires to be a community of learners, and to be recognized for graduating broadly educated, culturally and globally aware students who contribute to their communities as engaged professionals and citizens, and

As leaders in an academic community, it is our responsibility to role model behavior that fosters mutual respect and provides a safe environment for all human beings regardless of race, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, disability, and socioeconomic status, and

This principle of compassion is embodied in the Charter of Compassion, a document that transcends ideological, religious, and national differences, and is supported by leading thinkers from religious and non-religious traditions throughout the world, and

Compassion has the power to break down political, dogmatic, ideological, and religious boundaries, and promote a fulfilled humanity through improved human relationships and ethical behavior, and

Scientific research has shown that compassion helps to build human connections and a sense of community and plays a critical role in childhood development and the emotional health and well-being of all humans, and

Service is a strong part of CCSU’s heritage in which students, faculty, staff, and alumni engage with others to improve their community,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate endorses the CCSU Campus of Compassion Campaign and endorses the appointment of a Presidential Committee representative of students, faculty, and staff, that is responsible for overseeing policies, procedures, and methods to evaluate the impact of initiatives carried out to weave the principle of compassion into the fabric of CCSU university life and its neighboring communities.