

A RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY SENATE
OHIO FACULTY COUNCIL
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI
October 11 2012

Whereas: The Ohio Faculty Council (OFC) is recognized by the chancellor and the Ohio Board of Regents as representing the faculty at all of the four-year public colleges and universities in the State of Ohio;

And Whereas: Each four-year state university in Ohio is to be represented by two members of the faculty and one alternate from the faculty;

And Whereas: There is no specified method for choosing the representatives from the University of Cincinnati;

Be it Resolved: The University of Cincinnati representatives shall be the Chair of the University Faculty and a member of Cabinet nominated by and approved by the Senate at the first meeting of the academic year;

Be it Further Resolved: The terms of the two members shall be staggered;

Be it Further Resolved: A member of Senate Cabinet, nominated by and approved by the Senate, shall serve as alternate and shall be selected in the first year of the term of the Chair of the University Faculty.

Be it Further Resolved: The terms of members shall be two years.

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY SENATE, THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION AND THE
GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNANCE ASSOCIATION
FALL BREAK
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI
February 14th, 2013

WHEREAS: the University of Cincinnati has now successfully transitioned from the quarter calendar to the semester calendar; and

WHEREAS: the University community has realized that the new calendar includes a long stretch of nine academic weeks unbroken by a scholastic or public holiday; and

WHEREAS: many of the University's peer institutions have some sort of suspension of classes near the middle of the Fall academic term; and

WHEREAS: the University faculty and students are largely in agreement that some sort of respite from formal instruction in the middle of the Fall term would afford students the opportunity to catch up on their course work and to prepare for their midterm examinations; and

WHEREAS: the University Registrar has determined that the University's current calendar and bell schedule provide for two days' instructional time in excess of that required by the Ohio Board of Regents in the Fall Semester;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT: the University Faculty Senate, the Undergraduate Student Senate, and the Graduate Student Governance Association support the adoption of a suspension of classes, termed a Fall Break, or "Reading Days," to be observed on two consecutive days as determined by the Calendar and Examinations Committee.

A RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY SENATE
FACULTY MARSHALS AT COMMENCEMENT
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI
MARCH 14TH 2013

WHEREAS: The Faculty of the University have not had a direct role in the Commencement Ceremonies;

AND WHEREAS: A survey of the University Faculty showed overwhelming support for a plan to have up to 14 Faculty Marshals lead the graduates of that Faculty's College, sit in the first row of the seating area for that College's students and be off to side of the stage area to congratulate the graduates when they are announced individually;

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Faculty Senate supports the plan for Faculty Marshals at Spring, Summer and Fall Commencement Ceremonies;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the choice of up to 14 Faculty Marshals shall be made by the Faculty of each college;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Faculty of each College are urged to consult with student representatives in determining the choice of Marshals.

A Resolution of the Faculty Senate
House Bill 59 Workload
University of Cincinnati
April 11, 2013

Whereas: The University of Cincinnati has a workload policy that has been in place since 1994 which recognizes the varied responsibilities of Faculty, provides general guidelines for workload including number of courses to be taught, vests the responsibility for workload, properly, at the Unit administrative level and was reaffirmed jointly by the Faculty Senate Cabinet and the University's Central Administration during Semester Conversion in 2012;

And Whereas: Ohio House Bill 59 contained language that would have allowed Boards of Trustees to require Faculty members to teach one additional class;

And Whereas: The duties of a Faculty Member encompass much more than just classroom instruction;

And Whereas: Increasing classroom teaching loads arbitrarily or universally would negatively impact other activities such as conducting research, advising and guiding undergraduate and graduate students, providing special educational opportunities such as study abroad or special topics courses, assessing and improving the curriculum, assuring compliance with accreditation requirements, and participating in professional and community service;

And Whereas: Restricting the time Faculty Members can spend on other activities would have an adverse impact on research, commercialization, interaction with industry and workforce development, all of which benefit the economy of Ohio;

Therefore, be it Resolved: The Faculty Senate of the University of Cincinnati asks that the Ohio General Assembly remove language from any legislation which constrains the ability of a University to set its own workload policies and allow the effective, current workload policies to continue at the University of Cincinnati.

A RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY SENATE
IMPLEMENTATION OF FALL BREAK
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI
APRIL 11, 2013

Whereas: The University will add a Fall Break starting in 2013;

And Whereas: There are existing holidays for Labor Day, Thanksgiving Break and a floating Veteran's Day Holiday;

And Whereas: It is possible in some years that break days and holidays would fall on the same day of the week 3 times in a semester severely reducing instruction time in some classes taught only one day per week;

Therefore, Be it Resolved: The Faculty Senate calls upon the Calendar and Examination Committee to find a method of restoring some of the instructional time for affected classes in those years when a one day per week class would have 3 cancellations due to breaks and holidays.

A RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY SENATE
COMMENDING PRESIDENT ONO
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI
May 9 2013

BE IT RESOLVED: the Faculty Senate commends Dr. Santa J. Ono for voluntarily declining both salary bonuses and increase for the upcoming year. The Faculty Senate additionally commends Dr. Santa J. Ono for his recommendation to sell the Presidential Condominium to create a quasi-endowment for student scholarships.