

Associated Students

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY

RESOLUTION No.

2014-15-6

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REFERRED TO:

AS COUNCIL

ACTION APPROVED: November 6, 2014

SUBJECT:

Resolution Requesting Administrative Action Relating to Dr. Jacquelyn Bolman, Former Director of the Indian Natural resources in Science and

Engineering Program

WHEREAS, the Mission of the Associated Students Council of Humboldt State University serves to "assist in the protection of rights and interest of the individual student and student body, (...) and stimulate the educational, social, physical, and cultural well-being of the University community"; and,

WHEREAS, the Vision Statement of Humboldt State University includes that "We will be renowned for social and environmental responsibility and action," and that "We will commit to increasing our diversity of people and perspectives"; and,

WHEREAS, the Associated Students Council of Humboldt State University (HSU) unanimously passed Resolution No. 2014-15-3: Resolution in Defense of the *Indian Natural Resources in Science and Engineering Program*; and,

WHEREAS, The former Director of the Indian Natural Resources in Science and Engineering Program, Dr. Jacquelyn Bolman, was terminated on October 9, 2014; and,

WHEREAS, the Faculty of the College of Natural Resources and Sciences at Humboldt State University drafted a letter that was published in the student ran newspaper, the Lumberjack, acknowledging: (a) Dr. Bolman's extraordinary positive impact within the college, (b) the harm which was caused in the process used during her termination, (c) the troubling perception that the university is moving away from programs such as the Indian Natural Resources in Science and Engineering Program (INRSEP), and finally (d) to offer support to students affected by the termination of Dr. Bolman; and,

WHEREAS, in response to the termination of Dr. Bolman, the student body has organized profound protests in the quad that have created a powerful and forward moving dialogue on aboriginal rights, race, and equality; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Associated Students Council of Humboldt State University recognizes that the Wiyot people are the original inhabitants of the Humboldt Bay area, and encourages our membership of over 8,000 students to recognize and respect the Wiyot Nation's aboriginal rights; and be it further,

RESOLVED, By the Associated Students Council of Humboldt State University that we formally demand an administrative response to the termination of Dr. Bolman and to the students impacted by this action that:

1. Offers a formal apology to the impacted students at HSU.

2. Opens official channels allowing for the campus community to express their comments and opinions.

- 3. Conducts a thorough review of the community comments, and prepares a response by way of a document for release to the campus and community at large.
- 4. Reaches out to local Tribal Nations to reassure them of HSU's commitment to aboriginal students.
- 5. Develops and distribute a long term support plan for INRSEP and a plan that protects the Walter Warren House #38 and states this in the HSU Master Facilities Plan.
- 6. Creates a safe space for students that wish to voice their concern through any form of peaceful protest; and, be it further
- 7. Freezes the national search process unless the students of INRSEP come to a consensus that the process should move forward. Members of INRSEP will define consensus and all other procedures.

RESOLVED, by the Associated Students Council of Humboldt State University that we formally demand the reinstatement of Dr. Jacquelyn Bolman as director of the INRESP/STEM Center for Academic Excellence; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to, but not limited to CSU Chancellor, Timothy White; HSU President Lisa A. Rossbacher; HSU Interim Provost, Jenny Zorn; HSU Vice President for Administrative Affairs, Joyce Lopes; HSU Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Affairs, Peg Blake; the Many Tribal Nations Club; The Indigenous Peoples Student Alliance; the Lost Coast Outpost; Times Standard; Mad River Union; North Coast Journal; KIEM TV; The Arcata Eye; KAEF 23; KFMI- FM 96.3; KISS-FM 99.1; KSLUG-FM 93.1; and to the Indigenous Tribes of the North Coast, including the Yuroks, Hupas, Wiyots, Karuk, Bear River, Blue Lake, and Trinidad Tribes.

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