

FACULTY AGENDA ITEM 18-1

Date: *August 28, 2017*

Submitted by: *Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate*

SUBJECT: *RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT AT WASHBURN UNIVERSTIY*

*The Faculty Senate under its Constitution is tasked with speaking on behalf of faculty to the University community and providing a forum for the expression of faculty opinion. **A university should be a haven for free speech and the exchange of diverse ideas.** Embedded in the shared governance of the University is the protection of academic freedom without the fear of censure or reprisal. From this embraced concept of academic freedom arises the challenge to create an environment that protects free speech rights not only for faculty but for our WU community and the community at large. We stand with the administrative leadership of the university in reminding us all of the importance of respect and dignity. Let us all strive to remember and preserve the values under which we thrive as a learning community.*

Financial Implications: *None*

Proposed Effective Date: *Upon passage by the Faculty Senate.*

Request for Action: *Approval by FS*

Approved by:

Faculty Senate on September 18, 2017

Attachments Yes No