

**Resolution in Support of General Counsel Proposed UW Regulation 1-101,
*UW Regulations and Standard Administrative Policies and Procedures***

WHEREAS, faculty governance means that the faculty are active participants and stakeholders in how academic institutions are run; and

WHEREAS, effective and timely communication between faculty and the Board of Trustees is a critical component of shared governance; and

WHEREAS, at the September 2016 Board of Trustees’ meeting, the Board approved review by UW Administration of UW’s regulatory structure; and

WHEREAS, proposed revisions to UW Regulation 1-101 define the new structure and differentiate between *Governing Regulations; Standard Administrative Policies and Procedures; and Department/Unit Administrative Policies and Procedures*; and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee believes that changes to this Regulation contain substantive alterations with important implications to the welfare of the University; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees have a responsibility¹ to “Preserve institutional independence to protect the pursuit of truth, the generation of new knowledge, and intellectual inquiry so that they remain unencumbered by direct government control or special interest”; and

WHEREAS, the 2017-2022 Strategic Plan for UW embraces transparency at all levels of the institution and seeks an environment that values free expression, academic freedom, and mutual respect; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate supports the proposed UW Regulation 1-101, provided the tracked amendments included in the attached copy of the General Counsel’s proposed changes to UW Reg 1-101 are adopted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the UW Board of Trustees Bylaws, Article IX, UW Regulations, be modified to represent the 45 day public comment period prior to adopting, changing or amending any UW Regulation according to the recommended changes to UW Regulation 1-101 Section III and Section VI attached here.

¹University of Wyoming Board of Trustees, Roles and Responsibilities
<http://www.uwyo.edu/trustees>

AUTHENTICATION: *The foregoing Faculty Senate Resolution 339, as amended, duly adopted by the Faculty Senate of the University of Wyoming under date of December 11, 2017, is hereby transmitted to the President of the University of Wyoming for review in accordance with UW Regulations.*



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Secretary of the Faculty Senate