

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY
University Senate

Sense of the Senate Resolution on HSU Policing and Safety Shared Governance Body

04-20/21-EX — October 13, 2020

WHEREAS: In May 2020, joining actions from international, national, state, and campus shared governance bodies, the HSU University Senate Executive Committee released a statement in support of Blacks lives; and

WHEREAS: The HSU University Senate Executive Committee statement commits its leadership to action on policing, specifically: engaging campus police in discussion and action on anti-racist policies and practices that value and save Black lives; and

WHEREAS: The HSU Associated Students passed on August 7, 2020, a Resolution to Call for the Restructuring of the University Police Department; and

WHEREAS: The HSU Associated Students resolution called on the University Senate to take action; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the University Senate of Humboldt State University charges its leadership to work with AS and university leadership to create this calendar year a policing and safety shared governance body; and be it further,

RESOLVED: That said shared governance body be charged to review and advise through an anti-racists lens campus policing organization, policy, and practices such that safety and crisis response saves Black lives; and be it further,

RESOLVED: That said shared governance body areas for review include, but not be limited to: disarmament of campus police, rejection of lethal equipment funneled through program 1033, an establishment of social-based services founded on harm reduction for emergency calls made to UPD that do not require an officer present, and community engagement between UPD and the campus community; and be it further,

RESOLVED: That the membership and charge of said body be brought this calendar year before the University Senate for deliberation and approval.