

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY
University Senate

**Resolution Demanding President Rossbacher Approve the University Senate Recommended
Intellectual Property Policy for Humboldt State University**

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RESOLVED: That the University Senate of Humboldt State University demand that President Rossbacher approve the Intellectual Property Policy recommended by the Senate as per Resolution #24-15/16-FAC; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this policy act as the interim Intellectual Property Policy for the campus until the end of the 2016/17 academic year, at which point it may be renewed or considered for revision pending development of a CSU system-wide intellectual property policy; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Chair of the Senate forward copies of this resolution to: Chancellor Timothy P. White, ASCSU Chair Christine Miller, CSU-CFA President Jennifer Eagan, CSU ERFA President William Blischke, and HSU ERFA Chair John C. Schafer

RATIONALE: *HSU's Intellectual Property Policy (EM P09-03) was an interim policy recommended by the Academic Senate through Resolution #5-08/09-FA (attached) and approved by then President Rollin Richmond in May 2009. The third resolved of that resolution reads: "That the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University recommends to the President that the interim period shall end when the CSU Administration and the California Faculty Association (CFA) successfully negotiate the definition of 'extraordinary support' in the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), at which time the policy must return to the Academic Senate for revision and ratification as a permanent policy."*

The 2014-2017 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Unit 3 employees and the CSU was ratified by CSU Trustees and the California Faculty Association in May 2015. The two parties agreed not to define "extraordinary support" system-wide, but to defer the definition to individual campuses. As the definition of "extraordinary support" is no longer in the hands of the CSU or CFA, the condition for the end of HSU's interim Intellectual Property Policy has already been met. Thus, HSU has no campus wide intellectual property in force at this moment.

During the 2015/16 academic year, under the stewardship of the Faculty Affairs Committee and through much input from faculty, students, staff and administrators, a new Intellectual Property Policy was developed. This policy was extensively debated, revised and perfected through the shared governance mechanism of the University Senate. In May 2016, the University Senate approved Resolution #24-15/16-FAC (attached) which recommended this policy to President

Rossbacher by a vote of 22 in favor, none opposing and one abstaining. Four months later, the policy still sits on the President's desk awaiting approval.

HSU does not have an Intellectual Property Policy in force at this moment. HSU has developed a good policy that has been vetted through shared governance. HSU needs that policy approved now.

Attachments: Resolution #24-15/16-FAC; Resolution #05-08/09-FA