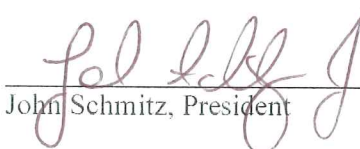


IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
Graduate & Professional Student Senate

Senate Resolution S09-03
Feb 23, 2009

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4 TITLE: Telling the ISU campus Graduate & Professional Students Support the Library
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6 WHEREAS: Graduate and professional students rely on the Library for their academic lives more than
7 most other students, and
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9 WHEREAS: The Iowa State University Library has decreased dramatically in Association Research
10 Libraries rankings in the past decade from 73 in 1995 to 81 in 2007, and
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12 WHEREAS: The Graduate and Professional Student Senate is aware and concerned with impending
13 budget cuts caused by decreased state appropriations to the Board of Regents and State of
14 Iowa institutions, and
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16 WHEREAS: The need for new journal titles, monographs, and indices continues to increase with the
17 growth of the ISU strategic initiatives and interdepartmental programs, and
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19 WHEREAS: The Library annually experiences inflationary increases nearly double the Higher
20 Education Price Index (HEPI), and
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22 WHEREAS: The Library has not been able to maintain its high level of service due to not replacing
23 lost staff, cancelation of duplicate journals and print copies of journals, and joining
24 several collective bargaining consortia, and
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26 WHEREAS: Of ISU's peers in the Big 12 Conference, eight have already instituted student library
27 fees, be it therefore
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29 RESOLVED: That the Graduate and Professional Student Senate continues to support the Iowa State
30 University Library in all its functions, and be it further
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32 RESOLVED: The Graduate and Professional Student Senate supports **continued exploration of a**
33 **library student fee** in the upcoming years to continue and enhance all student-centered
34 operations within the Library, and be it further
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36 ENACTED: That copies of this resolution be sent to the President of ISU, the Executive Vice
37 President and Provost, the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Vice President of
38 Business and Finance, the President of the Government of the Student Body, the
39 President of the Faculty Senate, and Dean Olivia Madison.
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41 SPONSORS: Ford, Z., Gross, A., Kappes., M.
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John Schmitz, President


Greg Peiffer, Chair of Senate

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