## **Central Connecticut State University**

UNIVERSITY SENATE ACTION

## Senate Motion Number FS 14.15.001R

TO:

President Jack Miller

FROM:

President of the University Senate

- 1. The attached resolution of the University Senate, dealing with: **Financial Aid for Undocumented Students** is presented to you for your consideration.
- 2. This motion was adopted by the University Senate on 10/13/2014.
- 3. After considering this resolution, please indicate your action on this form, and return it together with the original copy to the President of the University Senate.
- 4. Under the By-Laws of the University Senate, Section 3.7, the following schedule of action is to be observed.
  - a) By 10/20/2014, Senate action reported to the President of the University. (Within five school days of the session in which they are adopted).
  - b) By <u>11/03/2014</u>, the President of the University to return the resolution to the President of the Senate. (Within ten school days of its, receipt),

<u>10/20/2014</u>		Then	
Date	e	Stephen Cohen, President, University Senate	
ENDORSE	MENT:		
TO:	President of the Universi	ty Senate	
FROM:	President Jack Miller		
1. Mot	ion Approved :		
2. Mot	ion Disapproved:	(Explanatory statement must be appended).	
3. Action	3. Action "is deferred";		
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Whereas, the Connecticut General Assembly passed, and Governor Malloy signed, PA 11-43, An Act Concerning Access to Postsecondary Education, which grants equitable access to higher education for undocumented immigrant students;

Whereas, the Connecticut General Assembly passed, and Governor Malloy signed, PA 11-70, which directs the Planning Commission for Higher Education to address the challenges related to the disparity in the achievement gap between minority students and the general student population;

Whereas, the Board of Regents for Connecticut State Colleges and Universities identified elimination of achievement disparities among different ethnic, racial, economic, and gender groups as one of 5 goals for the system;

Whereas, all students, including qualified undocumented students, pay tuition, and 15 percent of that tuition is designated as institutional aid for students;

Whereas, qualified undocumented students are unable to access this institutional aid:

Whereas, the Board of Regents cannot promulgate regulations concerning financial aid nor grant such benefits without legislative action by the General Assembly;

Resolved, that the Faculty Senate at Central Connecticut State University supports a legislative solution to the current inequities in access to financial aid for qualified, undocumented students, and urges the Faculty Advisory Committee to the Board of Regents, the Board of Regents, and the Connecticut General Assembly to address this inequity and allow qualified, undocumented students access to financial aid.