

**Central Connecticut State University**

UNIVERSITY SENATE ACTION

**Senate Motion Number FS 16.17.003R**


TO: President Zulma Toro

FROM: President of the University Senate

1. The attached resolution of the University Senate, dealing with: **Resolution on BOR Code of Conduct Proposal** is presented to you for your consideration.
2. This resolution was adopted by the University Senate on **02/13/2017**.
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 **02/16/2017**, Senate resolution reported to the President of the University. (Within five school days of the session in which they are adopted).
  - b) By **03/06/2017**, the President of the University to return the resolution to the President of the Senate. (Within ten school days of its receipt).

**02/16/2017**

Date

  
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Stephen Cohen, President, University Senate


ENDORSEMENT:

TO: President of the University Senate

FROM: President Zulma Toro

1. Motion Approved : \_\_\_\_\_
2. Motion Disapproved: \_\_\_\_\_ (Explanatory statement must be appended).
3. Action "is deferred": \_\_\_\_\_
4. Resolution Noted: \_\_\_\_\_ ✓
5. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

2/24 /2017  
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Date

  
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President Zulma Toro

## **Resolution on BOR Code of Conduct Proposal**

**Whereas** the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities Board of Regents have proposed the implementation of a Code of Conduct that stands to substantially transform faculty work, and was developed independent of established mechanisms of shared governance;

**Whereas** the Code threatens the core principles of academic freedom by subjecting teaching and research to politicized criteria that are disconnected from intellectual merit;

**Whereas** the Code is inconsistent with the letter and intent of those provisions contained in approved employment contracts that guarantee and specify the nature of due process.

**Whereas** the Code undermines our students' right to learn in the unfettered pursuit of truth;

**Whereas** the Code unreasonably expands the Board of Regents' authority to discipline, dismiss, or terminate students, faculty, and staff for private conduct that falls under the protections of the First Amendment;

**Whereas** the Code includes vague and contradictory language that creates unreasonable liabilities for faculty in carrying out our work;

**Be it Resolved,** The Faculty Senate of Central Connecticut State University rejects the proposed Code of Conduct, and insists that the Board of Regents work with system constituents per our common interest in shared governance, to develop an appropriate code of conduct.