Resolution on Maintaining Shared Governance in Wisconsin State Statutes

Submitted by Academic Staff Executive Committee

Whereas, shared governance rights for UW System faculty, academic staff, and students are articulated in Chapter 36 of state statutes;

Whereas, shared governance creates a shared, collaborative process which is crucial to the strength and health of UW-Madison and UW System;

Whereas, shared governance is a defining cultural value of UW-Madison;

Whereas, consultative and transparent processes bring the best ideas forth and foster early consensus and rational outcomes;

Whereas, shared governance is an inclusive process that is effective and avoids mistakes;

Whereas, shared governance adds accountability; and

Whereas, the proposal to create a public authority for UW System repeals this language;

Therefore be it resolved, the Academic Staff Assembly is opposed to repeal of the shared governance language in Chapter 36.