Update Student IDs to Satisfy Voter ID Requirements

1 WHEREAS, the standard student identification cards issued and given by the Registrar’s Office to all students do not comply with the voter identification laws that are required for voting purposes.

2 WHEREAS, UWM as a public institution has the duty to make voting an easy process for all students.

3 WHEREAS, the current student identification card does not meet the voter photo identification guidelines.

4 WHEREAS, Voter identification cards that meet the guidelines set up by the state are often not accessible to all students, thus denying students the opportunity to engage in the democratic process.

5 WHEREAS, the Registrar’s Office is capable of creating new student identification cards that comply with voter identification laws at no additional cost to students, unless they wish to renew their ID for voting purposes after two years.

6 WHEREAS, both the Registrar’s Office and Union Retail Services, the offices providing this service, are in support of providing student IDs that are compliant with voter identification laws.

7 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the UWM Student Association supports the implementation of standard student identification cards that meet the voter photo identification requirements set by the state.

8 THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that UWM should start issuing standard student identification cards that will expire within two years, have a clear photo, and a signature.

9 THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the Student Association will work with university departments involved to develop marketing materials to educate students on voter identification requirements.

10 THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED; that this resolution be communicated to the Dean of Students Office, the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, the Registrar’s Office, the Union Retail Services Office, the Director of the Union, and the Student Association Professional Staff.

Legislative History
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