

RESOLUTION BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY OF CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI CALLING FOR

1. THE ADOPTION OF THE 2008 IHL BOARD TEXTBOOK TASKFORCE RECOMMENDATIONS AND
2. TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING A TEXTBOOK RENTAL PROGRAM THROUGH THE JIMMY R. WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY BOOK STORE

WHEREAS, textbooks are a necessary component of a quality college education and

WHEREAS, the cost to purchase textbooks is often a financial hardship for many students and

WHEREAS, the University directly benefits from the revenue stream historically generated by textbook sales and

WHEREAS, The Follett Higher Education Group, which manages the University bookstore, is currently piloting a textbook rental program at several universities nationwide.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY OF CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI

That:

SECTION 1. The IHL Textbook Taskforce recommendations be immediately adopted as a response to the IHL "Efficiency Strategy 3: Reduce the cost of textbooks."

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- Faculty Senate will encourage faculty to commit to changing textbooks as infrequently as possible
- Faculty Senate will encourage faculty to choose the least expensive textbook while maintaining integrity
- Faculty Senate will encourage faculty to distinguish between required and recommended textbooks
- Faculty Senate will support the adoption of a hard deadline for textbook adoption

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in an effort to improve textbook affordability for students while maintaining the revenue stream generated by the bookstore for the University, Faculty Senate will contact Follett's to determine the feasibility of adopting a textbook rental program.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be presented to Academic Council immediately,

SPONSOR: Senator Ellen S. Green

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_

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President, Faculty Senate