

# **Resolution on Policies Related to Smoking**

**Whereas**, some students, faculty, and staff have been grieved by both the behavior of smokers and the active presence of smoking on campus of the State University of New York and Stony Brook; and

**Whereas**, the rules regarding smoking that currently exist at the SUNY at Stony Brook campus are often unknown to most students, faculty, and staff that smoke, and hence their behavior does not reflect a disregard for such rules but, instead, an ignorance of them; therefore be it

**Resolved**, that in order to reduce the presence of second-hand smoking on the SUNY at Stony Brook campus, to educate students, faculty, and staff of the existing rules, and to implement the existing policies, the Undergraduate Student Government endorses the following policies and projects:

- 1.** The installation of signage indicating that smoking is not allowed within fifteen (15) feet of the building doorways; these signs will also indicate fines for littering since cigarette butts are heretofore considered litter;
- 2.** Fines for the relocation of cigarette disposal trays/units directly on such units; signs on the same cigarette disposal trays/units informing smokers of the consequences of relocating the disposal units;
- 3.** More initiative to educate the population to the existing rules;
- 4.** Initiation of the tobacco cessation programs, available for free to students, faculty, and staff;
- 5.** The continued ban on the sale of all tobacco products on campus;
- 6.** Enforcement by the University Police of violation of said rules after the signage and education have been completed; and further be it

**Resolved**, that twelve (12) months after the complete implementation of the above, the documented evidence of satisfaction and dissatisfaction of students, faculty, and staff should be obtained and the results of these policies will be assessed so as to properly gauge the situation of smoking on campus; and if the results show that the majority of students, faculty, and staff are dissatisfied with the outcome of implementing the fifteen (15) feet policy, then a fifty (50) feet policy should be considered before the introduction of a total smoking ban.