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Title: A Resolution to Implement Airborne-Free Policy on Campus

Summary: The Administration should implement an airborne smoke-free policy by Fall 2018.

Text:

Whereas, Gonzaga University needs to abide by Healthy Campus 2020 and prospective vision,

Whereas, GSBA Senate recognizes the need to implement a smoke-free policy by 2020,

Whereas, campus does not have clearly defined smoking-access areas,

Whereas, there is violation of airborne smoking policies in residence halls throughout Gonzaga's campus,

Whereas, GSBA Senate recognizes there is a violation of airborne smoking policy on Gonzaga's campus, in particular the rule prohibiting smoking within 25 feet of building entrances,

Whereas, GSBA Senate recognizes that airborne products on campus can cause an adverse health risk to students suffering from physical conditions, such as asthma, allergies and past addictive behaviors,

Whereas, GSBA Senate recognizes that student access to materials and supplies to overcome and combat addictive behavior associated with airborne products can sometimes be overwhelming and difficult to access depending on the student's

knowledge of campus programming such as OUR House and various Health and Counseling Center resources,

Therefore, Senate recommends an adoption of a campus-wide airborne-free policy starting in the Fall of 2018.

Therefore, the administration should create a handful of marked smoking access areas at the following locations: Tilford parking lot, in the College Hall parking lot near Crosby House, behind the Boone Avenue Retail Center, the area on the other side of the Centennial Trail from Coughlin, near the gazebo behind Hughes, and the Schoenberg Center.

Therefore, we recommend that Residence Life staff should more stringently enforce an airborne-free policy in residence halls, specifically focusing on promoting greater overall residence health and using floor ownership principles to increase enforcement.

Therefore, we recommend that Campus Security should enforce the strict use of airborne products in the realm of designated areas only.

Therefore, we suggest promoting a greater community of care and concern on campus by raising awareness on the adverse health effects of airborne products on students who both engage and do not engage in the use of airborne products.

Therefore, we recommend the promotion of educational materials through existing campus programming such as OUR House and various Health and Counseling Center resources, focused on the awareness of health risks posed to users of airborne products and the adverse effects airborne products can have on non-users in the greater Gonzaga community.

Therefore, we recommend the inclusion of healthy tools, in the Health and Counseling Center, to offer support to students attempting to end or reduce their use of airborne products.

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