

## HIGHER EDUCATION

2016 Resolution

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- 1 Whereas, HB 48 is being called the “Guns Everywhere” bill because it would allow  
2 conceal/carry permit holders to carry guns in currently prohibited places like daycares or airports  
3 as well as on college and university campuses.  
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- 5 Whereas, HB 48 would reduce the offense for carrying a weapon in a prohibited area from a  
6 felony to a misdemeanor, and  
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- 8 Whereas, lowering the offense to a misdemeanor, similar to a traffic violation, would  
9 insufficiently deters violators, and  
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- 11 Whereas, by allowing college and university Boards of Trustees to determine whether concealed  
12 weapons would be prohibited on each campus puts them in a position to make politically  
13 defensive and reactive decisions, and  
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- 15 Whereas, the potential for inconsistency in college and university Board of Trustee  
16 determinations among institutions would cause confusion and create potentially dangerous  
17 situations, and  
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- 19 Whereas, the National Research Council issued a report which found no evidence that allowing  
20 handguns on campus would make the student body, faculty, and service workers safer, and  
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- 22 Whereas, the AFT, AAUP, and AAC&U have issued statements in opposition to such  
23 legislation:  
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- 25 **Therefore be it resolved**, that the OFT support the continued prohibition of concealed weapons  
26 on college campuses and actively oppose HB 48.

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2014 Resolutions

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## COMPLETION MODEL

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4 WHEREAS the Completion Based Model provides funding to Higher Education  
5 institutions based on students completing classes, programs, and certificates instead of  
6 funding based on FTE (full time equivalences), and  
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8 WHEREAS this new model threatens the tradition of open access to community  
9 colleges, and  
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11 WHEREAS this new model incentivizes completion instead of achievement, and  
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13 WHEREAS No Child Left Behind and Race to the Top are also completion based  
14 models that have largely been deemed ineffective for improving achievement, and  
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16 WHEREAS the OFT recognizes the desire for accountability but is conscious of  
17 unintended consequences, therefore  
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19 BE IT RESOLVED the OFT shall actively work to educate the public on how this model  
20 is ineffective in properly funding Higher Education institutions and producing true  
21 achievement by students.  
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## MAINTAINING HEALTH CARE DISCLOSURE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

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28 WHEREAS Ohio has passed legislation supporting mandatory health care coverage as  
29 a requirement for entering college, and  
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31 WHEREAS health coverage disclosure doesn't interfere with a family's privacy but  
32 insures that students have health care coverage, and  
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34 WHEREAS the General Assembly continues to consider revoking the authority of higher  
35 education institutions to require student healthcare coverage, and  
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37 WHEREAS such action creates a situation, in some circumstances, where a student  
38 may not have any health insurance coverage, and  
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40 WHEREAS this places institutions of higher education in the detrimental position of  
41 assuming liability for such students, therefore  
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43 BE IT RESOLVED that the OFT work with state legislators and institutions of Higher  
44 Education to expose this glaring oversight.

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## 2013 Resolutions

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**Tomisha Henry, Owens Support #6325**  
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**Delores Samson, Toledo #250**  
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### SHARED SERVICES

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3 WHEREAS according to Ohio Law (Am. Sub. H.B. 153), the Chancellor of the Ohio Board  
4 of Regents has been tasked with establishing "an efficiency advisory committee," and  
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6 WHEREAS one charge of this committee is to identify "shared services opportunities," and  
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8 WHEREAS the Ohio Federation of Teachers is devoted to all citizens having access to high  
9 quality public higher education, and  
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11 WHEREAS the Ohio Federation of Teachers recognizes the benefit of the increased  
12 efficiency that may be realized by sharing services, therefore  
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14 BE IT RESOLVED the Ohio Federation of Teachers demands all full-time status, higher-  
15 education faculty maintain full-time status with the ability to continue to collectively bargain if  
16 shared services cause faculty to be teaching at multiple institutions, and  
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Ohio Federation of Teachers will actively work with the  
19 Board of Regents and the Ohio legislature to ensure the rights of our members and insist  
20 there be equal faculty representation on said "efficiency advisory committee." and  
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Ohio Federation of Teachers will issue a statement of  
23 support for shared services.  
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### BUDGET BILL

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29 WHEREAS the Ohio Governor's proposed biennial 2013 budget, HB 59, gives the Board of  
30 Trustees at state institutions of higher education the authority to unilaterally increase faculty  
31 workload by one course each year without the ability to collectively bargain for additional  
32 compensation, therefore  
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34 BE IT RESOLVED that the Ohio Federation of Teachers work to amend the language in the  
35 proposed biennial 2013 budget.