

Sense of the Faculty: Hawk the Vote 4 September 2020

Consistent with R&P 1.2.8.1, it is the sense of the faculty that Lehigh University should strongly encourage student participation in the November 3 United States national elections as discussed in the attached student proposal "Hawk the Vote." The proposal has three components.

First, faculty should either cancel or reschedule any classes scheduled for November 3. In the case of online instruction, faculty should make lectures or instruction available asynchronously.

Second, all exams (including common hour exams) scheduled for November 3 should be rescheduled.

Third, during future election years, Lehigh University should make election day part of pacing break.

In an almost unanimous vote by the Faculty Senate on September 4, the Hawk the Vote sense of the faculty resolution was approved.

This sense of the faculty resolution will be submitted to President John Simon, Board of Trustees Chairman Kevin L. Clayton, Provost Nathan Urban, and the Deans of the five Lehigh Colleges.

Respectfully submitted,

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