

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE  
RESOLUTION 65

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A Resolution recognizing the professionalism of Oklahoma faculty members; urging all public colleges and universities in the state to respect that professionalism; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in 1998, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education published a report on Faculty Personnel Issues regarding faculty professionalism. The report was created by a Joint Council on Instruction/Faculty Advisory Committee, which was charged with reviewing and spotlighting best practices and assisting institutions in strengthening their policies regarding faculty professionalism; and

WHEREAS, the report provided key attributes for professional faculty personnel policies in the areas of faculty evaluation and development, faculty termination, and sabbatical leaves. The key attributes for policy development for tenure and tenure-track professional faculty are written notification, time frame for written notification, opportunities for meeting, opportunity to request reasons, and an appeals procedure; and

WHEREAS, based on an analysis of institutional policies, Oklahoma public institutions of higher education generally meet or exceed these attributes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 48TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes and respects the professionalism of Oklahoma faculty members in the public system of higher education.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate urges all public colleges and universities within the state to recognize that professionalism and respect it in their treatment of faculty members.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Chancellor of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for distribution to all public colleges and universities in the state.

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