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Resolution Regarding Privatization Policies

Whereas when no clear problem has been identified regarding University services, there is no need to alter current ways of providing services by privatizing those services and

Whereas, the privatization of the Texas Tech Bookstore has already led to reductions in services to students and faculty, to a disgruntled bookstore staff, loss of pay and employee benefits and increasing management misfeasance with a high rate of turnover in locally hired personnel, with the clear implication of continuing decline in service and eventual increases in costs to the University in future contracts, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate expresses it's opposition to efforts to privatize University services provided by University employees, and that we call on the administration to closely scrutinize efforts to "contract out" services in order to ensure a high level of service and to protect the jobs and benefits of those dedicated employees who are no under threat of privatization. We recommend that in the future, any efforts to privatize University services be done only in consultation with the Faculty Senate and any appropriate University committees and employees.

Resolution passed unanimously