

To: Dr. Duane Nellis, Texas Tech University President

From: Dr. Michael Farmer, Faculty Senate President

Date: January 6, 2015

RE: Resolution Regarding Funding

Introduced to, and passed by, the Texas Tech Faculty Senate on the 10th of December 2014.

Resolution Regarding Funding

WHEREAS, funding by the State of Texas for higher education is not keeping pace with the needs of students in the State of Texas;

WHEREAS, funding by the State of Texas for full-time students at the institutes of higher education has stagnated at 1990 levels;

WHEREAS, the 2012-2013 higher education cuts will further lower per-student funding levels in upcoming years;

WHEREAS, Texas higher education funding per full-time equivalent students has dropped 21.4 percent declining from \$9487 in 2001-2002 to \$7,542 in 2009-2010;

WHEREAS, to fully restore funding would require a 27.3 percent increase;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Texas Tech Faculty Senate petitions the 84th Texas State Legislature to increase funding for higher education by 25 percent.

XC: TTU Chancellor Robert L. Duncan
 TTU Provost Lawrence Schovanec
 Texas State Senator Charles Perry
 Texas State Representative John M. Frullo