

SALISBURY UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MOTION

Submit this form to the Faculty Senate President

SUBJECT: Student Academic Transparency Act

SENATOR PROPOSING MOTION: Sandy Pope

SENATOR SECONDING MOTION: Amit Poddar

MOTION (this section alone will be recorded in the minutes):

Faculty Senate charges APC and FWC with a review of the SGA's "Student Academic Transparency Act" with the goal of determining what, if any, changes should be made to faculty posting of grades in advance of the withdraw date. Reports should be made to Faculty Senate in advance of the _____ meeting.

The APC and FWC reports should, to the extent possible, include communication with and concerns from SGA and consider current mechanisms such as midsemester grade reporting.

If APC and/or FWC deems changes are needed to notify students of their course performance in advance of the deadline to withdraw, they should draft suggested language and suggest its placement and enforcement. If APC and/or FWC deems no changes are needed to notify students of their course performance in advance of the deadline to withdraw, they should report on why current approaches are satisfactory.

JUSTIFICATION:

The Student Government Association has raised concerns about the information available to students when determining whether to withdraw from a course. The Act as provided to Faculty Senate establishes the student concerns. The Act also includes some internal inconsistencies (e.g., references to 24 and 72 hours) and raises questions about student privacy (e.g., requesting that grades be made public). The Act warrants consideration but is not, in its current form, reasonable for Senate to pass or enforce.

ANTICIPATED IMPACT:

Negative:

Positive:

Is this a recommendation to the Provost? Yes _____ No _____

Is this a recommendation to someone else? No _____ Yes, to _____

VOTE: Number of Senators Present:

Motion Passes or Fails: