

Resolution to Add Student and Faculty Voting Representatives to the Board of Governors  
Proposed by Student Senators Avi Desai and Justin Schulberg

Whereas, the current student and faculty representatives to the Board of Governors do not have votes and are only allowed to sit in on meetings that are open to the public; and

Whereas, the Board of Governors is the highest governing body at the University; and

Whereas, shared governance is a core value of the University and is essential to its function; and

Whereas, in order for Rutgers University to achieve shared governance, students and faculty should have a voice and a vote on the Board of Governors; and

Whereas, eight of the other thirteen Big Ten schools have student or faculty representation on their equivalent of Rutgers' Board of Governors; and

Whereas, six of those eight schools have at least one voting representative on their respective board; therefore

Be it hereby resolved, that the Rutgers University Senate calls upon the Board of Governors to amend its bylaws to add at least one student and at least one faculty representative with full voting privileges to the Board of Governors, and will work with state legislators as appropriate to affect the composition of the Board in this way; and

Be it further resolved, that the student and faculty voting representatives will be elected through the University Senate, and approved by the Board of Trustees; and

Be it further resolved, that the student and faculty voting representative(s) will serve a one year term.