NDSA-07-2324

A Resolution in Opposition to Paid Supplemental Educational Material as Core Content

WHEREAS, the North Dakota Student Association (NDSA) represents the voice of North Dakota's 45,000 public college and university students; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of NDSA is to represent all students enrolled in the North Dakota University System (NDUS) and advocate on issues of higher education in support of access, affordability, quality, and the student experience; and,

WHEREAS, the NDSA is committed to promoting affordable higher education in the NDUS¹; and,

WHEREAS, when taking a course, students expect to learn in their academic studies from the faculty or assistants that are teaching the course, not through supplemental materials; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the opinion of the majority of the General Assembly that there is an excess of courses throughout NDUS institutions that rely too much on supplemental materials that require paid access that could otherwise be taught through different means without an additional expense to students; so,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NDSA encourages NDUS institutions take the initiative to utilize supplemental funds for Open Educational Resources.

Approved by the North Dakota Student Association General Assembly Saturday, February 10th, 2024

¹ NDSA-01-2324