

## **RESOLUTION ON THE CUNY POLICY ON FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND EXPRESSIVE CONDUCT**

Be it resolved

We applaud the protections for freedom of speech and expression enunciated in CUNY's new Freedom of Expression policy.

However, because the new Freedom of Expression Policy offered by the Board of Trustees retains enforcement of the policy solely in the hands of the CUNY administration -- and thus potentially pits administrators against faculty, students, and staff, the chief agents of academic freedom on campus -- we oppose its current incarnation.

Any enforcement of CUNY's Freedom of Expression Policy must assure that its interpretation and judgments about practical restrictions of freedom of expression must be authorized by Academic Freedom committees (or their equivalents) of CUNY's Colleges, Schools, and governance bodies. These committees must be comprised of at least 70% faculty and the remaining 30% divided equally among representatives from students, staff, and administrators.

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