

Proposed Outsourcing Resolution from the
Budget and Planning Committee

WHEREAS, Governor Haslam recently initiated a call to examine potential benefits to the state of Tennessee by outsourcing the management and operations of virtually every state-owned facility, including college and university buildings.

WHEREAS, The University of Tennessee at Knoxville has in the past and has continued to outsource a variety of operations to meet campus requirements while constraining costs.

WHEREAS, President Joe DiPietro has repeatedly stated his objective to make decisions regarding outsourcing that are appropriately chosen to meet the needs of the various units of The University of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the University of Tennessee at Knoxville has been well-served over recent years through the closing of outsourced contracts of certain campus services and the hiring of regular, full-time employees to provide these services.

The UTK Faculty of Senate resolve that:

As there has been no evidence provided to support the benefits to campus life or any significant cost savings of further outsourcing of facility and management services{, we oppose the potential additional outsourcing that could be forced upon the UT System due to State actions}.

We support President DiPietro's position that outsourcing of services at the various University of Tennessee campuses be decided by the University community rather than by a central State authority.