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CLAS faculty council

To: Alan Freitag, Chair  
UNCC Faculty Council

Re: Smoking Restriction Policy Enforcement

December 1, 2009

Dear Prof. Freitag,

During our last two College of Liberal Arts and Sciences faculty council meetings, some issues about the university's smoking restriction policy have been raised. The council has directed me to write to the university faculty council about these issues in a hope that the council could make some recommendation to the university administration to resolve these issues.

Specifically, Policy Statement #68 (concerning smoking on university property) III (c) states that: "Smoking is prohibited within 25 linear feet of any University Building". However, the policy does not specify how this policy will be enforced. In practice, there is no enforcement of this policy at all. In buildings where CLAS faculty members usually teach, it is reported that people usually smoke right at the entrances of these buildings. Part of this problem is that some people are just not aware of such a policy and there are no visible signs about the smoking restrictions near the entrances of these buildings. Thus the CLAS council would like the university faculty council to discuss this issue. We hope that a recommendation can be made to the administration by the faculty council to take certain actions to remedy this problem: such as posting signs on smoking restrictions near the entrances of buildings and coming up with a way to enforce this policy.

Thank you very much!

Sincerely yours

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