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SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING HUB AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH’S TITUSVILLE CAMPUS

STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD
UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

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6 FEBRUARY 2018
President Kneis introduced the following resolution; which was read for the first time.

13 FEBRUARY 2018
Read the second time and voted on.

A RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING AN EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING HUB AT TITUSVILLE

1 WHEREAS, the University of Pittsburgh Board of Trustees will make a decision in February 2018 whether to close the Titusville Campus or re-purpose the facility as an educational and training hub to include the University of Pittsburgh, a community college, a career training center, and other educational institutions;

7 WHEREAS, two tenets of the University of Pittsburgh’s Mission Statement are “educating diverse students” and “enhancing quality of life in the Western Pennsylvania region and beyond”;

11 WHEREAS, the Student Government Board recognizes the authority of the Board of Trustees to make strategic decisions for the University and defers to their expertise on financial considerations;
WHEREAS, the Student Government Board represents students on the Oakland Campus and has a vested interest in the University of Pittsburgh’s brand and mission;

WHEREAS, the University of Pittsburgh should strive to meet the evolving educational needs of Pennsylvania residents, and this educational and training hub would serve a wide range of constituencies and needs, including the current students at the Titusville campus;

WHEREAS, the educational and training hub would “improve collaboration and resource sharing” and “be more in tune with the educational and training needs of the region”1;

WHEREAS, “The programs would be developed in partnership with the region’s employers, thereby increasing the value of the campus hub to the six-county region and meeting more of the region’s education and training needs than any of the individual institutions would be able to do on their own”1; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, on this 13th day of February in the year 2018, the Student Government Board calls upon the University of Pittsburgh Board of Trustees to approve the Provost’s proposal to create an educational and training hub at Titusville; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution will be sent to all members of the University of Pittsburgh Board of Trustees; and be it finally

RESOLVED, this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption and shall reflect the official position of the University of Pittsburgh Student Government Board.

ADOPTED: this 13th day of February 2018 by a vote of 8 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

Max Kneis, President
University of Pittsburgh Student Government Board

1 Office of the Provost Report: University of Pittsburgh at Titusville Report for the Academic Affairs and Libraries Committee