



Resolution 001-1516

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Recommendation Addressing Current Issues with the Library

In order for students to have a successful academic environment, it is necessary for the library to be open and staffed by professional librarians. This committee recognizes that a library without the proper resources, librarians, loses a large portion of its value to students. A successful library will be a necessary component in the accomplishment of the goals listed in ASU's 2020 plan; specifically, Goal One, Academic Excellence (Strategic Initiatives 1.3 & 1.4) and Goal Two, Student Success (Strategic Initiatives 2.1, 2.4, & 2.6).

We as a committee understand that this issue is beyond keeping the library doors open. It is about having a library with all of the tools necessary to successfully serve the student population at Adams State University. In order for this success to occur we need to prioritize the aiding and supporting of library staff, so they in turn can aid and support students in putting forth the best academic work possible - work that shines positively on Adams State at conferences, in graduate school applications, and future arenas of employment.

Knowing full well that budgets are tight across the board and many departments are faced with the predicament of frozen position(s), we believe that the library needs to be prioritized highly. High prioritization is necessary because the library directly impacts students and plays a large role in the success rate of both graduate and undergraduate programs. Currently, the frozen library position, User Experience Librarian, places an excessive burden on the remainder of the library staff and in turn reduces the quality of services they can provide.

Associated Students, & Faculty has the opportunity and means to voice the students' current discontent with the situation at hand concerning our library at Adams State University. We as a student government have a responsibility to acknowledge and voice the students concern to administration, faculty, and the Board of Trustees. This document is a result of that responsibility, and we thank all those who take the time to read its contents.

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