

Office, Clerical and Technical Staff Assembly

Resolution to Declare

The University of Alabama a Smoke-Free Campus

Background: In the spring of 2012, the OCTSA began discussion on a resolution concerning The University of Alabama becoming a smoke-free campus by May 2013. This resolution, developed by the Faculty Senate, was written in support of a potential smoke-free policy on campus. The OCTSA discussed the pros and cons, as well as, researched the current campus policy, along with those at other colleges and universities. In addition, an online survey was conducted in September 2012 to assess the views of OCT staff employees. In that survey, 60% of the 425 respondents were in favor of adopting a smoke-free policy on campus.

Consequently, the following resolution is brought before the OCT Staff Assembly:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the OCT Staff Assembly at The University of Alabama would support the adoption of a Smoke-Free Campus policy with cessation support being made available to faculty, staff, and students; as well as considerations of provisions deemed necessary and feasible;

IN LIEU of a Smoke-Free Campus policy, the OCT Staff Assembly recommends strict enforcement of a smoking ban within thirty feet of building entrances.