

STAFF SENATE RESOLUTION #211

Title: Recommendations for Endowed Chairs Initiative

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1 WHEREAS, on Nov. 13 2014, the UW Board of Trustees passed a resolution to create an
2 Endowed Chairs Initiative to create new endowed professorships; and

3 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Endowed Chairs Initiative is understood to be to raise the profile
4 of UW's colleges and departments by attracting new top-flight faculty and retaining current top-
5 flight faculty; and

6 WHEREAS, any initiative proposed to increase the profile and build the excellence of the
7 University must benefit its students, including its undergraduate students;

8 THEREFORE, be it resolved that a minimum percentage of 25% of endowed professorships be
9 granted to existing faculty; and

10 THEREFORE, be further it resolved that endowed professorship hires recruited from outside the
11 university be selected for their proven ability to collaborate productively with other faculty
12 members; and

13 THEREFORE, be it further resolved that endowed professorship hires be held to the expectation
14 that the university will see benefit proportional to the increased salaries paid to them; and

15 THEREFORE; be it further resolved that endowed professorships be hired for programs that
16 demonstrate moderate to high levels of student demand; and

17 THEREFORE; be it further resolved that every endowed professorship hire be required to teach
18 one undergraduate class (or equivalent undergraduate student-directed contribution) every
19 academic year.

Date of Passage: _____

**“Being enacted on _____, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this
Senate action.” _____**

Staff Senate President, Rachel Stevens