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On the University of Arkansas at Monticello Faculty's response to proposed changes to the Board of Trustees Tenure and Dismissal Policies.

*What is the UAM Faculty's response to the recent revisions to 405.1 as presented in the email from Dr. Bobbitt on February 14, 2018?*

BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty of the University of Arkansas at Monticello, having read and reviewed the original proposal for the revision of the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas System's policies on tenure and dismissal (along with all other revisions subsequently made public), has determined

(A). The proposed revisions to be unnecessary for the preservation of Academic Freedom and the stated educational principles of any single university or college within the system or of the system as a whole, including the University of Arkansas at Monticello, and as such, should not be adopted by the Board of Trustees as proposed; and

(B). In the event that the Board of Trustees finds it necessary to revise said policies, that faculty members from each campus affected within the system be granted an active role in said revisions so that whatever changes are ultimately recommended to the Board are recommended not merely by the System Administration, with or without the concurrence of the respective Administrations of the various campuses within the System, but are recommended jointly by the System Administration and the faculty members of each campus; and

(C). In light of items (A) and (B) herein, any vote on the current proposed changes be delayed by the Board of Trustees until the Board of Trustees has conducted a public meeting, in accordance with its own by-laws and the laws of the State of Arkansas, at each of the campuses and universities or colleges affected so that the Board may receive feedback directly from the faculties of said campuses, universities, and colleges affected by said proposed revisions, whether those revisions are those recommended by the System Administration or those recommended by the faculty of the University System, or some combination of both.