

Dear Senators,

The Academic Freedom Committee gives its full endorsement to the Senate Resolution on QCC Email Policy, which is part of the Agenda for the May 14th meeting. We endorse an opt-out system which will allow those not wishing to take part in the general dialogue to leave the system, but which will automatically include all faculty, so that the discourse among the faculty will return to the broad base that was enjoyed by its members before it was eliminated in the Fall of 2016. The Committee, as well as many in the faculty at large, feel that the removal of free discourse has undermined the intellectual community that should reflect collaboration, free speech, open and accessible information, inquiry, and debate in the academic setting of a college. We endorse the keeping of accurate email lists for all departments.

Sincerely,

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