## Letter to enter Proposal for Concealed handguns on Campus (SP13-003) into shared governance

Dr. Mooneyhan: Philip Ladd, President of the Staff Senate, Hunter Petrus, President of the Student Government Association and I are writing on behalf of our respective constituency groups with regard to the recent gun control legislation House Bill 1243, now Act 226 of the 89<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, Regular Session, TO ALLOW TRAINED AND LICENSED STAFF AND FACULTY TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN ON A UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, web site below.

## http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2013/2013R/Acts/Act226.pdf

Specifically: A licensee may possess a concealed handgun in the buildings and on the grounds, whether owned or leased by the public university, public college, or public community college, of the public university, public college, or public community college where he or she is employed unless otherwise prohibited by § 5-73-306 if: (1) He or she is a staff member; and

(2)(A) The governing board of the public university, public college, or public community college <u>does not adopt a policy expressly disallowing the carrying of a concealed handgun</u> by staff members in the buildings or on the grounds of the public university, public college, or 1 public community college and posts notices as described in § 5-73-306(19).

For the purpose of campus wide discussion, we ask that you enter into the shared governance process for review on campus the following proposal.

ASU-J should exercise the "opt out" provision of Act 226 and disallow trained and licensed staff and faculty to carry a concealed handgun on this campus.

Thank you for your attention to this important shared governance proposal.

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