

Faculty Senate Resolution on Campus Carry

Whereas at the end of their recent legislative session, Texas lawmakers passed Senate Bill 11, which is known as “campus carry” and the final version of the legislation allows private Texas colleges and universities to opt out of its requirement and continue to ban weapons, in consultation with their campus communities (Message from President R. Gerald Turner, June 5, 2015), and

Whereas to the fullest extent of Federal and Texas law, Southern Methodist University prohibits the possession of firearms on all University property (University Policy 10.5),

Therefore be it resolved, the Faculty Senate supports continuing the current policy of a weapons free campus as specified in Policy 10.5 and recommends to the administration that SMU opt out of the campus carry provision of Texas Senate Bill 11 so that concealed firearms are not allowed on any SMU campus.