Be It Resolved

Whereas Loyola University Chicago (LUC) administration committed to transparency and accountability in the formation of the Financial Planning Working Groups to advise the Budget Review Team (now known as Strategic Financial Planning Team);

Whereas LUC administration formed these Working Groups by appointment rather than election (see attachment 1);

Whereas in the past, two task forces, the Just Employment Task Force and the Graduate School Reorganization Task Force, were comprised of community members known to all (see attachments 2 and 3);

Whereas these two task forces held open forums in which community
members discussed possible courses of action; now, therefore, be it
Resolved, that the University Senate:

1. expresses its disappointment with both the process by which
the members of the Financial Planning Working Groups were
selected and the secrecy with which the benefits review
committee deliberated and made decisions despite a lengthy
period between the dissolution of the groups and the
announcements of changes;

2. urges that in order to achieve complete transparency, future
reviews and changes to benefits be deliberated in open forums
for questions and dialogue before any final decisions are
made; and

3. Commends the administration for initiating a working group on
shared governance and recommends that as part of that working
group’s agenda is the creation of a set of guidelines to
ensure adequate representation of the University community on
any other working groups that will make decisions that impact
the entire University community.

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Chair, University Senate