Resolution in Support of Moving to FBS Football T. Louwers

Whereas there are many positives associated with moving up a level in college football, including raising University visibility on a national scale, increasing the University's ability to recruit out-of-state students within a new conference's regional "foot print", and reconnecting with alumni who may have lost contact with the University, be it resolved that the Faculty Senate supports (or doesn't oppose) the Athletic Department's proposed move to the FBS-level of collegiate football as long as the move does not negatively affect the academic mission of the University by increasing student fees to subsidize the reclassification. To demonstrate that this would not be the case, the JMU Faculty Senate calls for the JMU Athletic Department/Duke Club to solicit an increase in alumni and friend commitments totaling at least \$12 million over a five-year period *prior* to applying for reclassification.