

Faculty Senate Resolution 99-10

Whereas a decade has passed since the 1989 report was generated by the Commission of the Status of Women at LSU, and

Whereas the status of women at LSU, and in academia nationwide, has changed in the last decade, and

Whereas LSU's 1994 Self-Study and other documents reveal reasons for continuing concern over the status of women at LSU, and

Whereas it is in keeping with the spirit of LSU's University Planning Document to review and assess the present status of women at LUS, as well as to set goals for and monitor progress in the status of women at LSU, and

Whereas Bernice R. Sandler, Senior Scholar in Residence at the National Association for Women in Educations and a nationally recognized consultant on the status of women in higher education, urged during a recent visit on campus that LSU follow a nationwide trend and establish a permanent Commission on the Status of Women with designated staff and financial support, and

Whereas LSU's Provost has stated his support for such a Commission,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Faculty Senate strongly support LSU's administration in creating a permanent Commission on the Status of Women consisting of faculty, staff, and student representatives to identify the needs of women on campus, to monitor changes in the status of women at LSU, to generate regular reports on its findings, to make recommendations regarding conditions at LSU that affect women employees, and to work with LSU'S administration to implement policy recommendations in a timely manner.