

1 **RESOLUTION 21/22/01**

2 **COMMENDATION TO THE**
3 **OPEN/ALTERNATIVE TEXTBOOK INITIATIVE**
4 **AND KSU FOUNDATION REGARDING ALL IN**
5 **FOR K-STATE 2021**

6 **BY:** Andrew Booze, Creighton Glasscock, and Blake Phillips

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8 **WHEREAS,** The Kansas State University Student Governing Association (KSU SGA) values the
9 efforts of Faculty, Staff, and Administrators in reducing the costs of textbooks and class
10 materials for students;

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12 **WHEREAS,** KSU SGA has a history of endorsing and working with programs to do so, such as
13 through supporting the Open/Alternative Textbook Initiative;

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15 **WHEREAS,** KSU SGA passed Resolution 19/20/63: Opposition to TopHat and other Costly
16 Educational Platforms on February 6, 2020, in order to raise attention regarding the
17 unpredictable costs of and student displeasure for classroom response and online
18 textbook systems;

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20 **WHEREAS,** On March 24, 2021, the KSU Foundation held the second All In for K-State event: a 24
21 hour period of philanthropic giving towards a single goal;

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23 **WHEREAS,** The All In event was focused around raising funds for Textbooks 2.0, a rebranding of the
24 Open/Alternative Textbook Initiative;

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26 **WHEREAS,** On the day of All In, the KSU Foundation raised more than \$500,000, an increase of over
27 \$180,000 from their previous All In event and enough to save students at least \$5 million
28 yearly in textbook costs into the future; and

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30 **WHEREAS,** The money raised will be distributed to professors to create open and alternative
31 textbooks at a meeting of the Open/Alternative Textbook Initiative Review Committee on
32 April 29, 2021.

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34 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

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36 **SECTION 1.** The Kansas State University Student Governing Association (KSU SGA) commends the
37 members of the Open/Alternative Textbook Initiative, staff of the KSU Foundation, and
38 donors to All In for supporting this initiative to reduce the costs of textbooks for students.
39 KSU SGA thanks these groups for their support and hopes that it will continue into the
40 future.

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42 **SECTION 2.** Upon passage by the Student Senate and signature of the Student Body President, a copy
43 of this resolution shall be sent to:

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45 *All members of the Open/Alternative Textbook Initiative Review Committee, including:*
46 Scholarly Communications and Copyright Librarian Emily Finch; Mathematics
47 Department Head Dr. Andy Bennett; Food, Nutrition, Dietetics, and Health
48 Associate Professor Dr. Brian Lindshield; Biology Senior Instructor Robbie
49 Bear; Modern Languages Professor Dr. Laura Kanost; Agronomy Assistant
50 Professor Dr. Colby Moorberg; Chemistry Teaching Professor Dr. Yasmin Patell;
51 Student Access Center Assistant Director Ann Pearce; Academic Services
52 Librarian Laura Bonella; Library Planning and Assessment Director Dr. Laurel
53 Littrell; Digital Scholarship Librarian Ryan Otto; and KSU Information
54 Technology Instructional Designer Shalin Hai-Jew.

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All In for K-State 2020 Committee Members:


KSU Foundation Associate Vice President of Development Eric Holderness; KSU Foundation Senior Director of Strategic Solicitations Sara Prince; K-State Alumni Association Assistant Vice President, Development and Communications Terin Walters; K-State Communications and Marketing Executive Director, News and Communications Cindy Hollingsworth; KSU Foundation Board of Trustees Member Sue Carlson; K-State Athletics Associate Athletics Director for Development Rob Heil; Applied Human Sciences Associate Professor and Faculty Senate President Dr. Mindy Markham; Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering Associate Professor Dr. Todd Easton; Grain Science and Industry Assistant Graduate Program Coordinator Monica Macfarlane; English Department Office Specialist and University Support Staff At Large Representative Peggie Post; Department of Kinesiology Office Specialist and University Support Staff Senate President Mary Oborny; KSU Multicultural Programs and Services Director Mirta Chavez; Tel Wittmer; and Lane Lundeen.

President and CEO of the KSU Foundation Greg Willems, University Provost Charles Taber, and University President Richard B. Myers.


RESOLUTION 21/22/01 WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY ON APRIL 8TH, 2021.

I certify this resolution is true and correct

I hereby approve this resolution.

 4/19/21
Blake Phillips, Speaker of the Student Senate Date



 4/19/21
Michael Dowd, Student Body President Date