

Possible CAFR Resolutions
June 8, 2012, Representative Assembly Meeting
Committee on Elections, Rules and Jurisdiction

The following resolutions are based on the report of the Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility to the Representative Assembly on June 8, 2012. Any or all of them might be moved by the Chair or representative of the committee, or from the floor. They might be moved and debated in any order.

Resolution, specific to Professor Wilkes.

Resolved, That the Representative Assembly of the Davis Division of the Academic Senate affirms the right of academic freedom of Professor Michael Wilkes and all other faculty to publish scholarly articles and professional expert commentaries that address ethics and societally relevant critiques.

Resolved, That the Representative Assembly calls upon the Dean, Executive Associate Dean, and the Health System Counsel of the School of Medicine of the University of California, Davis, all to:

1. Accept promptly and publicly responsibility for serious errors in judgment;
2. Write individual letters of apology to Professor Wilkes;
3. Rescind all disciplinary actions that have been stated, proposed, or taken against Professor Wilkes.

Resolution, potential legal actions

Resolved, That the Representative Assembly of the Davis Division of the Academic Senate expresses severe disapproval of the notion that the University of California may take legal action against professors whose scholarly publications or professional expert commentaries may be perceived by University administrators to be injurious to University interests.

Resolution, training actions

Resolved, That the Representative Assembly of the Davis Division of the Academic Senate calls upon the Dean of the School of Medicine of the University of California, Davis, within six months to:

1. Take concrete steps to prevent future violations of rights of academic freedom, including training of administrators, their staff, and faculty on such rights;
2. Report to the Davis Division the steps that have been taken to this end.