

The Vassar Student Association Resolution 27-6
A Resolution Concerning the Gathering of Student Opinion Regarding a Smoking Ban on Vassar's
Campus
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WHEREAS the mission of the Vassar Student Association is to “serve, represent, and promote the interests and welfare of the students of Vassar College” and to “represent the opinions of the student body, serving as a communications conduit to the Faculty, Administration, Trustees, Alumnae/i, the local community and beyond,”¹

WHEREAS one of the guiding principles of the 27th VSA Council is that “we will actively seek out the desires and opinions of our fellow students and always be willing to listen,”²

WHEREAS there has been a lack of effort to gather student opinion, and discussions regarding a smoking ban on Vassar's campus have not engaged at-large members of the VSA,

WHEREAS the status of a possible Smoking Ban has not been clearly communicated to the VSA,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the VSA Council shall coordinate efforts to disseminate all available relevant information and to gather feedback from the VSA in the form of polling, surveys, focus groups, and/or formation of a task force.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the VSA Council encourages The Dean of The College, The President of the College, and The Committee on College Life, to allow the VSA the appropriate time to assess student opinion before CCL votes or decides on a smoking ban.

¹ Vassar Student Association, “Constitution: Article II - Purpose”, Revised 9/16/2012

² Vassar Student Association, “Resolution 27-2: A Resolution to Adopt the Guiding Principles of the 27th VSA Council”, adopted 9/16/2012