

## **Resolution on the CUNY Library Catalog**

Unanimously adopted on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011

WHEREAS, Graduate Council unanimously passed a resolution on the below issues on December 8th, 2011; and

WHEREAS, CUNY libraries share a CUNY-wide integrated system with a catalog and systems for acquiring, cataloging, and circulating library materials; and

WHEREAS, the library data indexing, maintenance, and up-to-date search and delivery capabilities are critical to CUNY's mission and success; and

WHEREAS, CUNY's library data must be read by multiple software interfaces to allow development of library services; and

WHEREAS, the CUNY library catalog has significant long-term indexing problems, making the cumulative and combined wealth of CUNY library materials difficult to locate and use; and

WHEREAS, significant amounts of state funding and tuition go into funding the libraries; and

WHEREAS, an integrated CUNY requires coordinated access to library resources for students, faculty and staff serving in multiple roles on multiple CUNY campuses; and

WHEREAS, CUNY needs to have an effective and valued database to facilitate our relationship in library lending networks, which is in CUNY's best interest; and

WHEREAS, Graduate Center students and Faculty work in many positions across CUNY requiring uninterrupted access to the library resources; and

WHEREAS, the Doctoral Students' Council (DSC) is the official body representing all students at the Graduate School; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that CUNY provide required routine maintenance of library data, software, and hardware to fully avail CUNY constituents of the university's library resources; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that CUNY improve library statistical support to facilitate strategic collection building and purchasing; and

FINALLY RESOLVED, the DSC demands CUNY Central empower the CUNY librarians with the authority, access and funding to remedy these problems.

cc: University Dean for Libraries and Information Resources, Curtis Kendrick

cc: Chief Operating Officer, Allan Dobrin

cc: Chief Information Officer, Brian Cohen