Resolution on the SUNY Old Westbury Policy on Open Access

WHEREAS, the Faculty of the College at Old Westbury State University of New York is committed to creating an environment that cultivates critical thinking, empathy, creativity, intercultural understanding and a passion for learning within and beyond the campus community, and

WHEREAS, providing public access to scholarly knowledge and creative works produced by the Old Westbury community will enhance such environment and promote the College's community engagement and global citizenship, and

WHEREAS, the University Faculty Senate urged individual campus faculty governing bodies to develop and adopt Open Access policies[1], and

WHEREAS, the SUNY Board of Trustees, by the Resolution on Campus Open Access Policies and System Repository, mandated all SUNY campuses to develop a campus Open Access policy by March 31, 2020[2], and

WHEREAS, the Task Force on Open Access Policy, jointly formed by the Faculty Senate and the Administration, studied Open Access policies of other SUNY campuses and drafted an Open Access policy in accordance with the aforementioned resolutions,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate accept the Policy on Open Access drafted by the Task Force on Open Access Policy, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Policy will be reviewed after two years by the Digital Initiatives Librarian and Library Director in consultation with the Faculty Senate.

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[1] "Resolution Calling for SUNY Open Access Repository Policies", April 22, 2017.
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[2] Memorandum "Campus Open Access Policies and System Repository", March 22, 2018
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