BILL: F2014-SB12

TITLE: 2nd Hand Smoke Prevention Initiative

SPONSORS: Michael Brady, Speaker of the Senate and Feb Senator Aaron de Toledo, Wonnacott Senator

DATE: November 16, 2014

Whereas the current policy listed on Middlebury’s website states:

*Smoking shall not take place within 25 feet of areas where smoke is likely to enter buildings. This includes building entranceways, near open windows, and especially near building air intakes. Additionally, in areas where there is a high frequency of problematic smoking, signs will be placed to remind community members not to smoke in that area. An annual reminder will be sent out at the beginning of the academic year and during summer language programs to help to educate the community about these concerns.*

Whereas second hand smoke is harmful,

Whereas the SGA affirms the college’s policy of making Middlebury “a healthy, comfortable, and productive work environment.”

Whereas enforcement of this policy is not carried out in a sufficient manner,

Whereas there are unclear guidelines as to how this policy should be enforced,

Whereas the complete abolishment of tobacco on campus has been adopted as a policy by “1,477 ... campuses. Of these, 975 are 100% tobacco-free, and 291 prohibit the use of e-cigarettes anywhere on campus.”

*Be it resolved,*

That the Community Council should address the issue of tobacco smoking on campus and discuss possible methods of enforcement of current policy,

That these possible methods include, but are not limited to:

- The issuance of a $50 fine, which is the current practice when smoking occurs indoors

- A system of citations, similar to the system used when underage drinking occurs on campus

- The relocation of cigarette disposals currently located at building entrances
The SGA Senate encourages the Community Council to recommend a course of action by the end of J-term of this academic year.

**LEGISLATIVE ACTION.**  
*Originally Proposed*

Michael Brady ’17.5, Speaker of the Senate and Feb Senator  
Aaron de Toledo ’16, Wonnacott Senator

**November 16, 2014**

Speaker Brady: Motion to have a straw poll on: Are you in favor of moving the information up to the Whereas section, keeping it where it is in the Resolved section, or completely getting rid of it?

  Senator Chang: Seconded.  
  All aye.  
  Motion passes

Straw Poll: Are you in favor of moving the information up to the Whereas section, keeping it where it is in the Resolved section, or completely getting rid of it?

Whereas section: 11  
Resolved section: 5  
Taking it out: 1

Senator de Toledo: Motion to close debate and vote on F2014-SB12.  
President Custer: Seconded.  
All aye.  
Motion passes.

Vote on F2014-SB12.  
Ayes: President Custer, Senator Jahan, Senator Gerstenschlager, Senator Gogineni,  
  Senator Sanders, Senator Toy, Senator Medina, Senator Judy, Senator Sohn,  
  Senator Brook, Senator Vaughan, Senator Hussein, Senator Chang, Senator de Toledo, Speaker Brady  
Nays: Senator Fisher  
Abstentions: Co-Chair Bogin  
15-1-1  
F2014-SB12 passes.