BILL: S2015-SB8

TITLE: Resolution to Increase Counseling Staff

SPONSOR: Ben Bogin, Student Co-Chair of Community Council

DATE: March 1, 2015

Whereas the number of students seeking counseling has increased, the severity of issues which students seek counseling for has increased, and the frequency in which students seek counseling has increased at Middlebury, as well as on national scales,

Whereas students have reported wait times for counseling appointments of up to 2-3 weeks upon calling to schedule an appointment†,

Therefore, be it resolved,

That there should be an increase in the Parton counseling staff so that more flexibility may be made to accommodate student schedules and increasing counseling needs.

That the budget for the counseling staff at Parton should be increased in order to increase capacity for student clients.

LEGISTLATION ACTION.
Originally Proposed

Emma Erwin ’15
Hannah Quinn ’16

March 1, 2015
Senator Jahan: Motion to end discussion and vote on S2015-SB8.
Senator Hussein: Seconded.
Ayes: Proxy Estefania (for President Custer), Senator Jahan, Senator Gerstenschlager, Senator Gogineni, Senator Berlowitz, Senator Allis, Senator Sohn, Senator Brook, Proxy Poole (for Senator Vaughan), Senator Hussein, Senator Edwards, Senator Fisher, Speaker Brady
Nays: None
Abstentions: Senator Toy, Proxy Rivera (for Senator Medina), Co-Chair Bogin
13-0-3
Motion passes.

Vote on S2015-SB8.

* Based on conversations with Virgina Logan, Gus Jordan, and Katy Smith-Abbott
† Information gathered from conversations with a variety of student peers through the Resilience Project
Ayes: Proxy Estefania (for President Custer), Senator Jahan, Senator Gerstenschlager, Senator Gogineni, Senator Berlowitz, Senator Toy, Proxy Rivera (for Senator Medina), Senator Allis, Senator Sohn, Senator Brook, Proxy Poole (for Senator Vaughan), Senator Hussein, Senator Edwards, Senator Fisher, Co-Chair Bogin,
Speaker Brady
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
16-0-0
S2015-SB8 passes.