#### DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

## MOTION TO ADD WORDING TO FACULTY NOTIFICATION OF A STUDENT DROPPING A COURSE

On May 7, 2018, Professor Brian. L. Evans (Electrical and Computer Engineering) put forth a motion to the Faculty Council to add wording to the faculty notification of a student dropping a course. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote. Final approval resides with the President.

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### Background:

On April 17, 2018, a *Daily Texan* article offered an easy-to-implement idea to support the mental health of our students. The article suggested adding language to the notice about student well-being. When a student initiates a course drop with his/her college/school, the college/school would then notify the instructor(s).

The first and second paragraphs of the below proposed language were approved by Dean of Students and Counseling and Mental Health Center, respectively.

### Motion:

Add the following wording to the instructor notification of a student initiating a course drop.

If you have any concerns about or for this or any member of our campus community, please call the Behavior Concerns Advice Line (BCAL) at (512) 232-5050.

As a reminder, if a student is experiencing a mental health crisis, the Counseling and Mental Health Center (CMHC) crisis line is available 24/7 at (512) 471-2255. Feel free to distribute this number to students.

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<sup>1</sup> http://www.dailytexanonline.com/2018/04/17/let%E2%80%99s-help-professors-help-struggling-students