

# **Resolution to Replace the Names of Huguenot patentees in the Hasbrouck Residential Complex with Alternate Names with Local Meaning and Geographical Significance**

*Submitted on behalf of Vincent Cozzolino, College Council Member*

**I recommend that the SUNY New Paltz College Council adopt the following resolution:**

Whereas, the Study Group on Alternate Names for the Hasbrouck Building Complex was created by the SUNY New Paltz College Council at its November 1, 2018 meeting and charged on November 15, 2018 by Interim Chair of the College Council, Eli Basch, and SUNY New Paltz President, Donald Christian, with soliciting replacement names for the Hasbrouck Complex Buildings via a campuswide electronic survey, and

Whereas, the Study Group was asked to develop a semifinal list of 10 names for the President's Cabinet to consider and recommend to the College Council (and the Study Group was to make clear that current SUNY policy does not allow for honorific names of buildings without a substantial financial gift), and

Whereas, the study group prepared and sent a survey on December 10, 2018 (that remained open until January 31, 2019), to 36,902 alumni, 7,720 students, 1,650 college employees and retirees and many community members and received a total of 3,107 responses, and

Whereas, the survey responses indicated that the most popular category, with 78% of participants selecting Strongly Favor or Favor was "Names with Local Meaning," and

Whereas, based on its review of the survey results and its deliberations, the study group recommended the following 11 names (not in priority order) for consideration as consistent with campus community sentiment to identify names that speak to our special location:

1. Maratanza Hall\*
2. Pond Hall\*
3. Awosting Hall\*
4. Minnewaska Hall\*
5. Mohonk Hall\*
6. Hawk Hall\*\*
7. Peregrine Hall
8. Ashokan Hall
9. Sunset Hall
10. Tamarack Hall
11. Shawangunk Hall, and

Whereas, the College Council on February 21, 2019 voted 4-3 in favor of the resolution to remove the current names on the Hasbrouck Complex buildings, and

Whereas, College Council Member Vincent Cozzolino presented the findings of the study group to the Council at its February 21, 2019 meeting, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the College Council recommends that the campus assign the following new names to the residence halls in the Hasbrouck Complex following the strong recommendation of the study group, giving the campus President discretion in assigning particular names to each building,

Mohonk Hall  
Minnewaska Hall  
Awosting Hall  
Shawangunk Hall  
Ashokan Hall

and be it further

Resolved, that the Dining Hall be renamed Peregrine Dining Hall, to commemorate the recovery of the peregrine falcon from its virtual eradication in eastern North America in the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century due to pesticide poisoning, symbolizing that positive change is possible, and be it further

Resolved, that the College Council authorizes the President to develop a single resolution about removing and replacing these names for consideration by the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York at the earliest possible opportunity.

Submitted February 26, 2019