

United University Professions New Paltz Chapter

Resolution from the UUP-New Paltz Chapter on the renaming of the Hasbrouck Complex buildings

- WHEREAS United University Profession (UUP) represents over 900 bargaining unit members on the SUNY New Paltz campus, and
- WHEREAS our work focuses on providing historically honest, conceptually and critically clear education to our students, in an atmosphere of collective care and concern that enhances the sense of well-being and inclusion for everyone on our campus, and
- WHEREAS "after extensive research, data review, and conversations with students, faculty, staff, community members, representatives of Historic Huguenot Street, descendants of Huguenot families, and alumni," the SUNY New Paltz Diversity and Inclusion Council has determined that the Hasbrouck Complex buildings should be renamed, and
- WHEREAS the New Paltz Faculty Senate voted overwhelmingly to support this recommendation of the Diversity and Inclusion Council, and
- WHEREAS the President of the New Paltz Student Association has called for the College Council to remove the Huguenot patentee names from the Hasbrouck Residential Complex buildings, and to find other ways to recognize the contributions of the Huguenot patentees and their descendants as well as the indigenous Munsee and the Africans who also lived here, and
- WHEREAS we believe the best interests of the College community, our members, and our students are best served by recognizing the difficult historical realities that were foundational to the establishment of New Paltz, and addressing the continuing toll generated by the burden of slavery and racism in our own time, and
- WHEREAS we stand in solidarity with our students and our Faculty Senate,
- Be it RESOLVED that the UUP-New Paltz Chapter endorses the recommendation to rename the Hasbrouck Complex buildings on our campus contained in the Report of the Diversity and Inclusion Council to the members of the College Council, and be it further
- RESOLVED that the Chapter President share this resolution with the College Council, the President of the College, the Presiding Officer of the Faculty Senate, the President of the New Paltz Student Association, and the SUNY New Paltz Diversity and Inclusion Council in advance of the next meeting of the College Council on February 21, 2019.