A Resolution Proposed to University of Nebraska at Kearney Faculty Senate October 3, 2013

Whereas, Dr. Dallas Kenny has been a Director of the Office of International Education (OIE) at the University of Nebraska at Kearney (UNK) since 2009;

Whereas, he is responsible for advancing international education at UNK – with limited resources and requiring significant effort in creating a campus-wide understanding of the role of International Education on the UNK campus;

Whereas, Dr. Kenny has achieved substantial improvements and expansion in the areas of study abroad, international student enrollment, and institutional partnerships;

Whereas, he has worked to provide a level of regular OIE staffing in support of the World Affairs Conference, developed on-going scholarship support for International Studies and Undergraduate Research Abroad, and initiated innovative programs such as the World Leaders Camp and the First Year program in Vancouver;

Whereas, in the spirit of shared governance, he has included various campus constituencies in the development of international programs. Especially noteworthy is the inclusion of Deans, Chairs, the General Studies Council, Registrar and other administrative offices in the creation of 1+3/2+2 articulation agreements with China and Korea.

Whereas, Dr. Kenny has regularly shared information with, and sought input from, the campus community, including the regular publication of an OIE Newsletter, the creation of a faculty advisory board, and integration of OIE with Student Affairs, the Registrar, Finance Office, and Office of Institutional Research, and has conducted campus-wide surveys of students, faculty and staff to solicit ideas and suggestions for improvement.

Whereas, Dr. Kenny has broadened international perspectives by facilitating travel of faculty and administration to other countries;

Whereas Dr. Kenny has worked to build professional leadership skills among the OIE's key program Coordinators despite the challenges associated with short-staffing and changes to federal processes for visa applications;

Therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Faculty Senate of the University of Nebraska at Kearney commend Dr. Dallas Kenny for his important contributions to the University of Nebraska at Kearney by significantly improving its academic health and well-being via his leadership of the Office of International Education.