

## **John Wilson Election Statement**

It has been a privilege to serve for the past fifteen months as your representative on the Board of Trustees. This time has been filled with problems and with progress. Conflict and confrontation about budget cuts were followed by compromise and significant progress in rebuilding our campus infrastructure.

During these months I have tried to be an advocate for compromise and problem-solving with faculty, administration, and the trustees. I have tried to listen to your concerns. Over the past year, visits to 13 colleges helped me learn your concerns, and over 700 faculty responded to last spring's survey on faculty quality of life. I have voiced your concerns to administration and trustees and worked with the senate council and senate to encourage truly shared governance.

Many challenges and uncertainties face us. How will the new budget model support graduate training and research, foster collaboration, and reinforce quality of instruction? Will new processes move administrators and administrative services to greater accountability and responsiveness to those they serve? How will we use e-learning initiatives to enhance the quality of our students' education? Most of all, will our approach to change be marked by cooperation, compromise, and concern for those most affected by change?

If re-elected, I will continue to advocate for our academic missions. I will seek faculty input and voice your concerns. I will work with faculty, administration and trustees to push for intelligent change. .

I ask for your vote.

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