LSU Faculty Senate Resolution 08–03 "Timing of LSU Spring Break"

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Whereas LSU for several years in a row has scheduled its annual Spring Break for the week before Easter; and

Whereas the East Baton Rouge Parish School District and the East Baton Rouge Catholic Schools have for many years scheduled their annual Spring Break for the week following Easter; and

Whereas this has created an annually repeating two-week period where LSU faculty with schoolaged children cannot take a break, and often become less productive due to the necessary *ad hoc* child care issues; and

Whereas LSU is actively seeking innovative ways to provide useful benefits to its faculty and subpopulations of its faculty; and

Whereas changing the timing of the LSU Spring Break would be a zero cost policy change that could significantly benefit the productivity and well-being of LSU faculty with school-aged children;

Therefore be it resolved that the LSU Faculty Senate recommends synchronizing the LSU Spring Break week with the East Baton Rouge Parish School District Spring Break by moving the LSU Spring Break to the week after Easter. Although such timing of the East Baton Rouge Parish School System Spring Break has been stable for many years, if it should change in the future, the Senate recommends that the LSU Spring Break again be changed to maintain synchrony of the two.