

FACULTY SENATE

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION 26-2

Approved by the Faculty Senate
10/8/2025

**ADDING STATE OF MISSOURI STATUTE 173.1004.1 RSMo STUDENT
EVALUATION QUESTIONS TO SMARTEVALS**

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri, through Statute 173.1004.1 RSMo, requires that all public higher education institutions publish instructor ratings by students on their website; and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate has previously approved two questions to fulfill this mandate. These questions are:

1. My instructor cared about student learning
2. My instructor successfully contributed to my better understanding of the course; and

WHEREAS, Southeast Missouri State University uses SmartEvals software for student evaluations of courses; and

WHEREAS, the two required questions to fulfill Statute 173.1004.1 RSMo are not currently administered through SmartEvals, causing students to fill out two separate evaluations for each course;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves including the two required questions to fulfill Statute 173.1004.1 RSMo in SmartEvals for each instructor's course; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the two required questions not be included in the faculty member's average score on SmartEvals; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the data will only be reported to IR if the minimum number of students consistent with the policy on "Student Evaluation of Instruction" in the faculty handbook is met; and

30 **BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that only the two required questions will be made public on the
31 institution's website. All other SmartEval responses will remain confidential between the faculty
32 member, chair, and dean.

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