
FACULTY SENATE

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION 18-4

Approved by the Faculty Senate
November 14, 2018

1 **REDUCING SAMPLE BIAS IN SMARTEVALS QUESTIONNAIRE VIA CONSISTENT**
2 **STUDENT-FEEDBACK PROMPTING**

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4 **WHEREAS:** In the current implementation of the SmartEvals questionnaire, comment boxes
5 are actioned for individual questions only via dissatisfied student feedback. Discussions from
6 Academic Affairs Committee concluded this practice induces negative biasing, thereby reducing
7 the questionnaire's utility for self-evaluation.

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9 **WHEREAS:** Technological limitations in the SmartEvals software prevent nonintrusive per-
10 question comment fields on various operating systems.

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12 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The Faculty Senate requests that feedback-initiated commenting
13 fields be removed, retaining only the fixed comment field at the conclusion of the survey.

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