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In Support of an Additional Counselor

Whereas, the WSU administration has failed to adequately address the mental health crisis of students.

Whereas, thirty-nine percent of college students have a significant mental health issue.

Whereas, suicide is the second leading cause of death among 18 to 24-year-olds.

Whereas, WSU Counseling Services is woefully understaffed.

Whereas, the period between appointments for those who currently use counseling services is three to four weeks.

Whereas, counselors cannot accept new students due to being understaffed.

Whereas, WSU Counseling Services is one of the only mental health resources available for students on campus.

Therefore be it resolved, WSUSS strenuously recommends the hiring of at least one additional counselor prior to the start of Spring Semester 2020 to adequately address the needs of students.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Benjamin Ellgen'.

Benjamin Ellgen
President | Winona State University Student Senate