Resolution

Faculty Handbook Committee Chapter Three Reorganization March 1, 2011

WHEREAS the Faculty Handbook Committee has worked since the 2008-2009 academic year to explore whether Chapter 3 of the current Faculty Handbook adequately conveys the purpose and value of academic freedom, shared governance, and tenure as guiding academic principles;

WHEREAS, over the years, Chapter 3 of the Faculty Handbook has been added to and revised, sometimes without consideration to the overall organization of the chapter, resulting in 22 dispersed sections;

WHEREAS Chapter 3 of the current Faculty Handbook does not clearly define the difference between faculty appointment and faculty rank;

WHEREAS the reorganization of Chapter 3 was presented to and approved by the Faculty Senate on April 22, 2010 but not presented to the Board of Trustees;

WHEREAS the Faculty Handbook committee met with the Council of Deans and publicly sought comment on the Chapter 3 reorganization during the 2010-2011 academic year;

BE IT HEREBY resolved that the Faculty Senate again approve the attached reorganization of Chapter 3 and further request that it be placed on the Board of Trustees agenda for April, 2011.