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Serial Number #14-15—15

TO: President David Dooley
FROM: Bahram Nassersharif, Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL titled, Ad Hoc Committee to address Faculty Senate membership and faculty voting rights Report #1: Amendments to University Manual Sections 4.50.13 and 4.60.12, is forwarded for your consideration.
2. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on February 19, 2015.
3. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
4. In accordance with Section 10, paragraph 4 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective March 12, 2015 three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; or (3) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum.

Bahram Nassersharif
Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

February 20, 2015

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

- a. Approved ✓.
- b. Approved subject to Notice to the Board of Education ____.
- c. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Education ____.
- d. Disapproved ____.

Signature of the President

3.3.15

(date)

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND FACULTY SENATE

First Report of the Ad-hoc Committee to Address Faculty Senate Membership and Faculty Voting Rights

February 19, 2015

Our first report is limited to the question of voting rights of full-time non-tenure track faculty at the department and college level. Faculty Senate membership (a more complicated issue, potentially involving recommendations to change the Faculty Senate Constitution and By-laws) will be taken up in a subsequent report.

The ad hoc Committee to address Faculty Senate membership and faculty voting rights on matters requiring Faculty Senate approval recommends to the Faculty Senate the following:

That full-time non-tenure track faculty who have been employed for at least one two years as a member of the full-time non-tenure track faculty shall have full voting privileges in their departments and/or colleges and that any question regarding full-time status of an individual shall be resolved by the administrative supervisor of that individual.

The following University Manual changes are recommended:

4.50.13 Voting on matters which require approval of the Faculty Senate shall be limited to the privilege of all tenure track faculty from their effective date of hire and the privilege of all full-time non-tenure track continuing faculty who have been employed as such for at least two one years. holding any of the ranks listed in 7.10.10.

4.60.12 Voting on matters which require approval of the Faculty Senate shall be limited to the privilege of all tenure track faculty from their effective date of hire and the privilege of full-time non-tenure track continuing faculty who have been employed as such for at least two one years. holding any of the ranks listed in 7.10.10.

University Manual Sections with proposed changes:

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