REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE: Technology Committee Membership

University Senate Committee: Technology

Brief History of Issue - why the issue is being considered:

The Executive Committee decided to reestablish the Senate Technology committee through elections this fall. However, because of the technology issues on campus now, it agreed for a volunteer Senate Technology Committee to begin work as soon as possible. One of the first actions of the volunteer committee was to review committee membership.

The Technology Committee's Membership: The committee includes five University Faculty and two University Academic Staff senators elected by the University Senate for three-year terms. The Chief Information Officer shall be a non-voting member of the Technology Committee. (US 3/05).

During review of the committee membership, it was determined that representation from each college was not guaranteed.

Points Discussed by Committee:

- It is important to have committee representation from each college.
- New campus building projects underline the importance of representation from each college.
- Is 7 elected members and the CIO, the correct size for this the committee.
- Will the mix of five faculty and two academic staff members make it more difficult to populate the committee?
- How many of the committee members should be Senators
- Student representation on the committee.

Pros of Recommendation:

Guarantees representation by all colleges and provides more flexibility in populating the committee.

Cons of Recommendation: none

Technology/Human Resource Impact:

No additional technology/staff time will be required

Committee Recommendation:

Replacing current handbook Senate Technology Committee membership with language that:
- Makes sure each college is represented
- Makes sure majority is faculty
- Has CIO membership, non-voting
- Has Student input
- Does not restrict membership to only senators
- Has a mix of faculty and academic staff
MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The University Senate Committee:
by a vote of ___7___ for to ___0___ against on ________________ (Date)

Recommends that Chapter 3, page 16, item 9.a. in the current FASH (proposed reorganization Part III: Bylaws of the University Faculty and University Academic Staff, Article Three: University Senate, Section H Committee Organization)
Be changed as follows:

Membership:
The committee includes seven to eight voting members: one member elected by and from each of the colleges and enough senators elected by and from the Senate to ensure a total of 4 University Faculty and 3 University Academic Staff on the committee. The Chief information Officer shall be a non-voting member of the Technology Committee. A member of the Student Senate information Technology Commission (ITC) will serve as a liaison between Student Senate and the Senate Technology Committee in an ex-officio (non-voting) capacity.

Implementation Date:

Signed: _______________________________________
Chair of the Committee