


March 17, 2005

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Arlen F. Chase
Chair, Faculty Senate

FROM: Terry L. Hickey 

SUBJECT: **Faculty Senate Resolution 2004-2005-5 – Creation of Colleges,
Schools, and Other Academic Units**



Arlen, I am returning Faculty Senate Resolution 2004-2005-5 [Creation of Colleges, School, and Other Academic Units] forwarded to me on January 31, 2005. I support the intent of this resolution; i.e., that the administration “consult with the Faculty Senate when a determination is being considered to alter the university educational environment through the creation and administration of colleges, schools, and other degree granting units.” However, concern remains regarding the statement that “whenever possible affected faculty, with consultation, be given the choice of which unit to be affiliated with when such institutional change takes place.” I anticipate that instructional assignments alone would make it difficult, if not impossible, for faculty to choose their academic affiliation independent of departmental, college, and university needs.

Therefore, I propose replacing the third paragraph of the resolution with the following:

Be it resolved that the university administration shall consult with the Faculty Senate when a determination is being considered to alter the university educational environment through the creation and administration of colleges, schools, and other degree granting units. Even though instructional responsibilities and other related factors may make it impractical or impossible for affected faculty members to choose their academic affiliation when such changes take place, the university administration agrees to consult with the affected faculty members. In those instances where a faculty member’s instructional and scholarly expertise makes it possible and appropriate to change academic units, and when the directly involved administrative officials agree to the proposed change in academic affiliation, the university administration will consider allowing a faculty member to choose his or her academic unit-of-affiliation.

c: President John C. Hitt

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Terry Hickey
Provost

FROM: Dr. Arlen F. Chase
Chair, Faculty Senate

DATE: January 28, 2005

SUBJECT: **Faculty Senate Resolution 2004-2005 – 5 Creation of Colleges, Schools,
and Other Academic Units**

On behalf of the Faculty Senate, I am pleased to submit for your approval the following resolution brought forth from the Personnel Committee to the Faculty Senate. The Faculty Senate passed this resolution on **January 27, 2004**.

**RESOLUTION 2004-2005-5
Creation of Colleges, Schools, and Other Academic Units**

Whereas, the administration is responsible for establishing and supporting structural growth, creating and enforcing university operational policies, and acting as the final authority responsible for efficient and effective use of resources,

And

Whereas, the faculty senate is the basic legislative body of the University and plays a critical advisory role to the president and Board of Trustees regarding university growth and prosperity that effects academic and general educational policies,

Be it resolved that the university administration shall consult with the Faculty Senate when a determination is being considered to alter the university educational environment through the creation and administration of colleges, schools, and other degree granting units; and that whenever possible affected faculty, with consultation, be given the choice of which unit to be affiliated with when such institutional change takes place.

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cc: John Schell