Resolutions

Whereas, when the Faculty Constitution was separated into two separate documents, Faculty Constitution and Bylaws, language regarding the process of adopting Senate resolutions was inadvertently left out of the Bylaws; and

Whereas, currently the language regarding the process of adopting Senate resolutions is contained in the Faculty Handbook; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bylaws of the Faculty Senate Constitution be amended as follows to restore the Resolution language by inserting a new I. Resolutions, under Section IV. Meetings of the Senate:

I. Resolutions
As the elected body of the general faculty, the Faculty Senate may formulate its opinion upon any subject of interest to the university and adopt appropriate resolutions. Resolutions addressing those areas of authority legally reserved to the president and Board of Trustees are advisory. Each resolution adopted by the Faculty Senate is forwarded to the provost and executive vice president who shall act upon the recommendation within 60 days. The provost and executive vice president shall have veto power over any resolution by the Senate. The veto with rationale shall be communicated in writing to the Faculty Senate and the chair of the Faculty Senate. The Senate, by a two-thirds majority vote, may appeal to the president any resolution vetoed. A subsequent veto by the president shall be communicated in writing to the Faculty Senate and to the chair of the Faculty Senate. The Senate, by a two-thirds majority vote, may appeal to the Board of Trustees any resolution vetoed. A decision by the Board of Trustees is final.

Approved by the Faculty Senate Steering Committee August 11, 2016.