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UNH FACULTY SENATE
MOTION # XXIV – M3
on myElements as a platform for Faculty Activity Reports (FAR)

1. Motion presenter: Erin Sharp, on behalf of the Agenda Committee and the Information Technology Committee

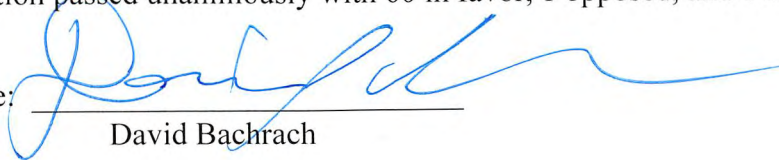
2. Date of Faculty Senate discussion: 10/24/2019 and 11/4/2019

3. Rationale: The faculty has used myElements as the platform for submitting Faculty Activity Reports (FAR) for two years. In this period, the Faculty Senate Information Technology Committee has worked diligently with the Academic Technology office to try to improve both the user experience and outcomes achieved using myElements for FAR. However, a first survey of faculty, department chairs, and deans conducted in the fall semester of 2018 revealed that myElements did not meet the needs of a majority of the faculty for FAR. The Faculty Senate passed a motion in the spring of 2019 consenting to the continued use of myElements for reporting done by faculty for the academic year 2018-2019, with the proviso that a new survey of the faculty, as well as deans and department chairs, would be conducted, to determine whether additional updates to the myElements system had improved its performance as a platform for FAR. The results of this second survey are unambiguous in showing that myElements remains unsuitable for a majority of the faculty for numerous reasons, which are included in the report produced by the Agenda Committee. **Therefore, the Senate moves,**

4. Motion: Departments or corresponding units shall have the primary role, in consultation with the deans of their respective colleges or units, in determining both the format and platform for faculty activity reports; the use of myElements for this purpose is not required.

5. Senate action: The motion passed unanimously with 60 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1 abstention.

6. Senate chair's signature:



David Bachrach

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