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UNH FACULTY SENATE
MOTION # XVI-M22

on representation to the Campus Master Planning Steering Committee

1. Motion presenter: Erin Sharp
2. Dates of Faculty Senate discussion: 4/30/2012 and 5/7/2012
3. Rationale: (See the “whereas” sections below.)
4. Motion:

Whereas faculty representation in the campus planning process is essential in order to maintain faculty involvement, allow for faculty concerns to be heard, and minimize potential disruptions to academic and research programs and the educational mission of the university; and

whereas faculty representation and input in the current planning process appear to have been limited, leading to much outcry and pushback at various parts of the proposed revision to the Campus Plan; and

whereas the Faculty Senate is the one body on campus that is intended and designed to be fully representative of the faculty, especially in matters pertaining to the university's academic mission; therefore

let it be resolved that the Faculty Senate should henceforth appoint two (2) Faculty Senators to the Campus Master Planning Steering Committee, in order fully to represent the voices and concerns of the faculty in the Campus Master Planning process and to ensure that developments to the Campus Master Plan, which may have impacts on the ability of faculty effectively to deliver high quality research and academic programming, will be communicated in a complete and timely manner to the Faculty Senate. One of the these faculty senators will be chosen by the chair of the Faculty Senate Campus Planning Committee, while the other shall be chosen on an annual basis by the Agenda Committee of the Faculty Senate. Faculty Senate representatives should be kept fully informed by the Campus Master Planning Steering Committee chair and invited to attend all meetings relevant to the Campus Master Planning process, including meetings that take place during the summer months; and

let it be further resolved that the Faculty Senate urges the Campus Master Planning Steering Committee chair to consult closely the leadership of any college, program, or institute whose facilities and/or academic programs are directly impacted by changes to the Campus Master Plan; and

let it be resolved that the Faculty Senate calls on the Faculty Senate and the administration to sponsor an open forum next fall in which UNH's vision of public private ventures is presented and the pros and cons of public private ventures are debated.

5. Senate action: passed unanimously.

6. Senate chair's signature: *F. J. Huddleston*

Forwarded to: President Mark Huddleston, on 5-31-2012

Forwarded to: Provost John Aber, on 5-31-2012

Forwarded to: Lisa MacFarlane, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, on 5-31-2012