

Resolution for Effective Communication with Provost and Academic Affairs

Whereas: the presidential search (AY 2022-2023) resulted in a disconnection between the Board of Trustees and the Faculty in their valued metrics used in the hiring decision, and

Whereas: the Provost has unilateral powers that greatly effect the working conditions of the faculty, and

Whereas: a recent history of grievances (both official and unofficial) regarding shared governance has been brought against provosts and Academic Affairs,

Be It Resolved (#1): Faculty Assembly hold a closed meeting after the interviews are concluded followed by an electronic vote on the prospective candidates for Provost to be held between their campus visits and the final hiring decision by the Board of Trustees,

Be It resolved (#2): that the Provost has one meeting per semester with the Faculty Assembly with the sole focus being the Provost answer questions from the Faculty; the Provost shall not focus on making a presentation to the Faculty,

Be It Resolved (#3): that the Provost follow the Shared Governance Notification form passed by the Senate in January 2019 and that this notification be made available to the Faculty. The text of that resolution reads,

The Faculty Senate hereby resolves that the Provost's Office, after consideration of a Senate Resolution and/or Task Force Recommendation, complete the attached form, indicating whether it is accepting, modifying, or rejecting the Senate Resolution and/or Task Force Recommendation. If the Provost's Office decides to reject or modify the Senate Resolution and/or Task Force Recommendation, it should clearly state its reasons in the form. The form should be completed and returned to the Faculty Senate President as soon as is practicable. If the Senate Resolution and/or Task Force Recommendation is being modified or rejected, it should be returned to the Faculty Senate President during the contract year with sufficient time as suggested by Faculty Senate for the Faculty Senate to consider and act upon the Office of the Provost's modification or rejection before any actions related to the Senate Resolution and/or Task Force Recommendation are taken by any administrator or administrative body.