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MEMORANDUM

To:

Julio Frenk

University President

From:

Tomás A. Salerno

Chair, Faculty Senate

Date:

December 1, 2017

Subject: Faculty Senate Legislation #2017-15 (B) – Amendment to Faculty Manual Section

C20.6, Discretionary Authority of Senate Officers during Academic Breaks, to Include

Emergency Situations

The Faculty Senate, at its November 29, 2017 meeting, voted unanimously to approve the proposal to change the language in Faculty Manual Section C20.6, Discretionary Authority of Senate Officers during Academic Breaks, to expand the discretionary authority of the Senate Officers to speak on behalf of the Faculty Senate in emergency situations.

Proposed Faculty Manual language:

Proposed changes reflected in underline /strikeout format

C20.6 Discretionary Authority of Senate Officers during Academic Breaks

If a matter requires timely attention from the Committee on Rank, Salary and Conditions of Employment, Tenure Review Board, Committee on Professional Conduct or the Hearing Panel during an academic break such as the summer period, and a sufficient number of appropriate elected members is not available, the officers may agree by majority vote to add other appropriate individuals to the Committee having jurisdiction over the matter. A report of any such temporary addition will be made to the Senate at its next meeting following the academic break.

Similarly, if a matter requires timely action from the Faculty Senate during an emergency situation, such as natural disasters, the majority of the officers of the Senate may speak on behalf of the Faculty Senate making all reasonable attempts to consult with the members of the Committee on General Welfare. The Faculty Senate shall be given appropriate notice of the officers' action(s) at the following Senate meeting.

This legislation is sent to you for your action.

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Jeffrey Duerk, Executive Vice President and Provost

CAPSULE: Faculty Senate Legislation #2017-15 (B) – Amendment to *Faculty Manual* Section C20.6, Discretionary Authority of Senate Officers during Academic Breaks, to Include Emergency Situations

PRESIDENT'S RESPONSE

APPROVED: (President's Signature)	DATE: 12/12/17
OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT	VT: Faculty Senate
EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION:	(if other than June 1 next following)
NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO:	
REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED):	