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Proposal and Motion to Establish a Faculty Senate Standing Committee by Amending the Bylaws Under Article VI

To successfully and effectively carry out the instructional mission of the University in today's competitive and technologically-driven environment, where students are digital natives expecting state of the art technology to learn and obtain information, the institutional commitment and resource allocation to provide faculty with necessary tools and technology is paramount.

The lack of faculty input into the technologies used in teaching, the lack of systematic and strategic planning as well as the lack of clear responsibilities for administration, training, maintenance, and replacement of classroom technology and faculty computers has resulted in situations where outdated and non-functional technology no longer supports the instructional mission of the university or the needs of the faculty.

Instructional and Academic Technology Committee

It shall be the function of this committee to oversee the planning, selection, and administration of the instructional and academic technology (hardware, software, and services) used in both face-to-face and online classroom instruction and by the faculty or academic departments. The committee shall consist of five (5) members elected to three-year terms as follows: One (1) faculty member from each College elected by the faculty of that College, and one (1) faculty elected at large. The Provost, the Vice President for Finance, Director of IT, and the Director of Center for Online Learning shall serve as an *ex-officio*, non-voting members.