Subject: Faculty Governance Update

On April 18, 2016 Senate Assembly passed the following resolution

WHEREAS students who are either complainants or respondents in investigations conducted by the Office for Institutional Equity (OIE) can appeal both OIE’s findings and sanctions imposed as a consequence of OIE findings, and

WHEREAS faculty must be entitled to the same due process protections as other members of the university community, and

WHEREAS fair investigations of charges of misconduct against faculty benefit from and at times require peer evaluation,

RESOLVED that the Senate Assembly requests that the University institute a policy

a. by which all OIE findings in which faculty are the complainants or the respondents be reviewed at the faculty’s request by a body of their faculty peers which will be empowered to recommend reconsideration of the findings

b. by which both OIE findings and sanctions against faculty can be appealed to the same body described in “a” above or an appointed body at least half of whom will be members of the UM faculty senate.

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