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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

FACULTY SENATE

BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

RECEIVED
UNIVERSITY OF R. I.
AUG 19 1970
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TO: President Werner A. Baum

FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The Attached BILL, titled Purchasing Practices

is forwarded for your consideration.

- 2. The original and two copies for your use are included.
- 3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on April 23, 1970
(date)(recessed meeting)
- 4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Trustees, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
- 5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on _____ (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Trustees for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Trustees, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

August 18, 1970
(date)

Walter C. Russell /s/
Chairman of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

- 1. Returned.
- 2. Approved _____ Disapproved ✓
- 3. (If approved) In my opinion, transmittal to the Board of Trustees is not necessary.

9/9/70
(date)

Werner A. Baum /s/
President

ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.
2. Approved.

_____/s/
(date) President

ENDORSEMENT 2.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: Chairman of the Board of Trustees, via the University President.

1. Forwarded.

_____/s/
(date) _____
(Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

_____/s/
(date) President

Original received and forwarded to the Secretary of the Senate and Registrar for filing in the Archives of the University.

_____/s/
(date) Chairman of the Faculty Senate

That the Administration reaffirm the policy that all items purchased from Federal grant and contract funds be secured from the vendor, whose selection has been based upon the choice and justification of the principal investigator. Such a policy shall not preclude the Business Manager or the Coordinator of Research or their designates from reviewing the items requested or the selection of the vendor; however, the University Administration will not change the items requested or the vendor without the permission of the principal investigator.

September 10, 1970

Professor Walter C. Mueller
Faculty Senate
Watson House, Campus

Dear Walter:

I am herewith returning, disapproved, Senate Bill #69-70-50 D, titled "Purchasing Practices."

This Bill is disapproved because it would enact a "law" which would prevent the Vice President for Business Affairs from carrying out the responsibilities expected of him by the United States Government, the Board of Regents, and me.

I have asked Vice President O'Connell to discuss with the principal investigator any changes in vendor or item, and he has agreed to do so. He informs me, incidentally, that it is exceedingly unlikely that an item would ever be changed; he knows of no case where this has been done.

I trust the Senate will understand why we cannot formally place into the hand of the principal investigator the right to determine the vendor.

Cordially,



Werner A. Baum
President

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cc: Vice President O'Connell