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Faculty Senate

Serial Number #02-03--23

TO: President Robert L. Carothers

FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled <u>Replacement of the Joint Educational Policy Committee (JEPC)</u>

with the Joint Strategic Planning Committee (JSPC)

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 10, 2003.
- 4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Governors, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
- 5. In accordance with Section 10, paragraph 4 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective <u>May 1, 2003</u> 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 Governors for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Governors, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

<u>April 11, 2003</u> (date)

Paul G. Arakelian Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

Returned.

a. Approved $\underline{\vee}$.

b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Governors ____

c. Disapproved _

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Proposed changes to the University Manual as approved by the Constitution, By-Laws and University Manual Committee on April 9, 2003 and amended by the Faculty Senate on April 10, 2003

The following committee would replace the Joint Educational Policy Committee (JEPC) and assume all of its functions and responsibilities. All references to the JEPC throughout the University Manual will be replaced by the JSPC.

Add the following new sections to the University Manual

5.70.10 The Joint Strategic Planning Committee shall advise the President and the Faculty Senate on broad policies and principles affecting the general direction of the University of Rhode Island in conjunction with its vision, mission, and values as a learning community. The Committee shall assist in the implementation and progress of the President's strategic plan; including, but not limited to, modifications, additions, and deletions to the strategic planning document as time or circumstance warrant. The Committee shall monitor the development of a university strategic planning process, which shall integrate aspects of financial, human resources, academic programming, student affairs, fund raising, and capital projects. The planning process at the University and the priorities established through it shall guide decisions on institutional funding. The Committee shall be provided, upon request, with necessary data and information by university departments and officials. The Committee shall be assisted by the Office of Planning Services and Professional Development (see section 3. 45.10).

5.70.11 The Joint Strategic Planning Committee shall be comprised of the President, who shall serve as Chair, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Vice Presidents for Business and Finance, Student Affairs, and University Advancement, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, two administrative staff members appointed by the President, the President of the Student Senate and the President of the Graduate Student Association.

5.70.12 The Joint Strategic Planning Committee shall meet on a regular basis and submit recommendations falling under the purview of the Faculty Senate to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee for transmission to the proper channels. Other recommendations shall be directed to the President. The President shall delegate the implementation of recommendations to the appropriate officials. The President and the Chair of the Faculty Senate shall report on the progress of the Committee to the Faculty Senate at least once each year and to the university community as appropriate.

The following recommendations do not require Faculty Senate approval

3.45.10 The Office of Planning Services and Professional Development shall support individuals and offices responsible for planning at all levels within the University with consulting services, facilitation, and necessary data. (*We recommend that the former charge to SPIR and PDLOT 2.90.10 and 2.46.10 be included in this paragraph*).

3.45.11 The Office of Planning Services and Professional Development shall support the work of the Joint Strategic Planning Committee (see 5.70.10) by organizing its agendas, facilitating its meetings, managing its minutes, communicating its decisions, and evaluating the progress of the strategic plan and the planning process on a periodic basis.

Existing 2.90.10 and 2.46.10 to be eliminated and replaced by "2.90.10 Directors of the Office of Planning Services and Professional Development."

2.46.10 The Co-Directors of Professional Development, Leadership and Organization Training (PDLOT) are responsible for the development and delivery of training and consultation programs to enhance the professional and interpersonal skills of the University workforce.

2.90.10 The Director of Strategic Planning and Institutional Research shall be responsible for the coordination of strategic planning for the university and for data analyses; including, but not limited to faculty instructional load, enrollment forecasting, and student retention. In addition, the Director shall prepare statistical reports for the Office of Higher Education, the U. S. Department of Education and other agencies to which the University must provide reports.