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TO: President Robert L. Carothers

FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Report of the Council for Research:
   Revised Section 10.46.26 of the Intellectual Property Policy,
   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 May 14, 1998.

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 June 4, 1998, 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.

   May 15, 1998
   (date)

   Leland Jackson
   Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

Returned.

a. Approved ___.

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

c. Disapproved ___.

   5/20/98
   (date)

President

Form revised 9/91
On May 15, 1998, the Faculty Senate approved the following revised section 10.46.26 of the Intellectual Property Policy:

10.46.26 Procedure for Resolution of Disputes. Should a creator not agree with a ruling of the IPC involving ownership or inventorship, the creator may appeal to the University Patent Counsel, who will evaluate the facts and provide both parties with an opinion within sixty (60) days. The opinion of the Patent Counsel shall be final unless disputed by either party in writing within ten (10) days from the date of receipt of the opinion. The parties shall attempt to resolve the dispute through mediation. Mediation must be completed within ninety (90) days from the date the opinion of Patent Counsel was disputed. If the mediation fails, or the dispute is not otherwise resolved, then parties may take such legal action as either may deem appropriate.