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DATE: WEDNESDAY, 22 September 2004
TIME: 11:45 a.m. to 1:25 p.m.
PLACE: 450 DG

Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes
- B. SAC Report (Professor Lowndes)
- C. Provost's Report (Provost Abdelal)
- D. Question and Discussion Time (10 minutes)
- E. Report of the 2003-04 Ad Hoc Senate Committee on Information Systems (IS) Policy (Professor Lowndes)

Resolution #7:

WHEREAS there is a critical need to develop and maintain a robust infrastructure for research computing and computational training in the university,

BE IT RESOLVED That a centralized facility for research computing and computational training be staffed and supported by IS. A Faculty Committee with representation from the various campus research constituencies will set policy for this facility. Appropriate mechanisms for sustaining this effort on a long-term basis for serving diverse campus needs in research computing and computational training will be developed.

Resolution #8:

WHEREAS faculty require a diverse array of up-to-date technology to meet their individual research computing needs,

BE IT RESOLVED That the ITPC will survey and develop appropriate mechanisms for supporting faculty needs with respect to research computing. A suitable upgrade cycle for faculty computers will be developed.

Resolution #9:

WHEREAS new and emerging technologies are the key to maintaining a cutting-edge IT infrastructure for research and teaching in the university,

BE IT RESOLVED That the ITPC will develop a mechanism for evaluating, prioritizing and recommending the infrastructure for new and emerging technologies (including wireless technologies) appropriate for various constituencies in the university.

- F. 2003-04 Special Committee on Academic Policy Committee Summary Report on General Education (Professor Herman)

Motion to Accept the Report

BE IT RESOLVED That the Faculty Senate endorses the principles contained in the Academic Policy Committee's Report and Recommendations as the basis for developing a University-wide General Education requirement. It calls upon the 2004-2005 Agenda Committee to charge the Academic Policy Committee it appoints to construct, from these principles, curricular parameters from which individual Colleges and Units can build major-specific requirements and

to test the parameters on a range of specific programs.