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Northeastern University
Office of the Faculty Senate

TO: All Faculty
FROM: Faculty Senate Agenda Committee
SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Meeting

I. The last meeting of the 2009-10 Faculty Senate will be:

Date: Wednesday, 28 April 2010
Time: 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Place: Raytheon, 240 EC

II. Agenda

A. Approval of minutes

B. SAC Report (Professor Morrison)

C. Provost's Report (Provost Director)

D. Questions & discussion

III. Faculty Handbook resolution (Professor Karma)

WHEREAS at its April 30, 2005 meeting the Faculty Senate unanimously approved for insertion into the final draft of the Faculty Handbook the following statement on tenure derived from the 1940 statement on tenure of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP),

> "*Tenure is established as a means (1) to maintain freedom of teaching, research and extramural activities, and (2) to provide a sufficient degree of economic security that the University can attract and retain excellent faculty members to meet this mission."*

And *WHEREAS* the 2008-2009 Senate Agenda Committee, upon request of Provost Director and without consultation with the Faculty Senate, agreed to remove item (2) from that section of the Handbook, which was subsequently submitted to and approved by the Board of Trustees:

BE IT RESOLVED That it is the sense of the Faculty Senate that the 2008-2009 Senate Agenda Committee inadvertently exceeded its authority by removing item (2). Since item (2) is an inseparable part of the standard AAUP stated goals of tenure, and since its removal from the proposed changes to the Faculty Handbook was not approved by the Faculty Senate, *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* that item (2) be included in the Faculty Handbook.

IV. Presentation and Discussion: Optimizing the Northeastern Experience: Insights from the National Survey of Student Engagement (Vice Provost Powers-Lee)