Faculty Senate Routing Form  
(action/proposal attached)

I. Item Title: Resolution of support for UNC Faculty Assembly resolution on Transparency of Financial Impacts in Academic Program Prioritization Processes

a) Brief Description: See attached

b) Initiated by: Faculty Senate Planning Team

II. Faculty Senate Action: X approved □ not approved □ other date: May 1, 2014

Vote: □ Voice Vote, Unanimous Voice Vote, Majority In Favor
       Paper Ballot
       Ayes
       Nays
       Abstentions

FS Secretary signature: [Signature] date May 12, 2014

III. Provost: □ for information □ Recognition of Receipt
            □ for action.................. □ approved □ not approved

Comments: ___________________________________________________________
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Person responsible for Implementation: _______________________________

Provost signature: [Signature] date 5/19/14

IV. Chancellor: □ for information □ Recognition of Receipt
                □ for action.................. □ approved □ not approved

Comments: ___________________________________________________________
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Chancellor signature: [Signature] date 6/2/14

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Provost
Chair of Faculty Senate
Secretary of the Faculty Senate
Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs (for catalog and handbook)
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Others (i.e. person responsible for implementation)
Resolution of support for UNC Faculty Assembly resolution on Transparency of Financial Impacts in Academic Program Prioritization Processes
Faculty Senate Planning Team
April 23, 2014

WHEREAS, the UNC Faculty Assembly has written and adopted a resolution on Transparency of Financial Impacts in Academic Program Prioritization Processes, and

WHEREAS the UNC Faculty Assembly has asked for Faculty Senate’s support;

WHEREAS the "Be it Further Resolved That" statement is too encompassing and broad to be manageable,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of Western Carolina University supports, in spirit and principle, the UNC Faculty Assembly Resolution regarding Transparency of Financial Impacts in Academic Program Prioritization Processes. The Faculty Senate supports the first "Therefore, be it resolved that" statement but not the "Be it Further Resolved that" statement.
2014-03
Resolution on Transparency of Financial Impacts in Academic Program Prioritization Processes
Approved by the UNC Faculty Assembly
April 04, 2014

Whereas, many of the UNC constituent institutions are responding to budgetary reductions by undertaking an academic program prioritization process; and

Whereas, these process have been undertaken using widely different approaches with varied levels of faculty involvement; and

Whereas, it has been unclear how many of the recommendations made during these processes will increase efficiency or reduce costs without undue negative impact on the students, staff, and faculty of the affected programs;

Therefore, Be It Resolved That, any constituent institution that proposes structural reorganization, consolidation, or reduction of colleges, schools and academic programs maintain transparency by first communicating to the faculty via the campus shared governance organization the realistic costs and anticipated savings associated the proposed changes, including those costs related to faculty and administrative staff changes, changes in operating budget, teach out plans, and facility utilization; and

Be It Further Resolved That, immediately following and at least annually after implementation of any structural reorganization, consolidation or reduction of colleges, schools and/or academic programs, a detailed report on all realized savings and/or costs of the implemented changes be provided to the faculty and all other university constituencies.