Faculty Senate Routing Form
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I. Item Title: <u>Resolution to Endorse the Recommendations of the WCU Learning Management System Steering Committee for the Adoption of the Canvas Platform</u>
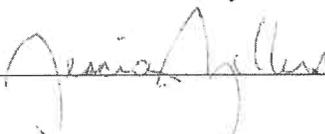
a) Brief Description: <u>Resolution Endorsing the Adoption of the Canvas Platform</u>

b) Initiated by: <u>Enrique Gómez</u>

II. Faculty Senate Action: ☒ approved ☐ not approved ☐ other   date: <u>08/26/2020</u>
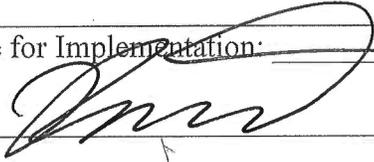
Comments: _____

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Vote: ☒ Voice Vote, Unanimous ☐ Voice Vote, Majority In Favor
☐ Electronic Vote:        Ayes      Nays      Abstentions

FS Secretary signature: _____ date _06-26-2020_

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

Comments: _____

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Person responsible for Implementation: _____

Provost signature: _____ date 3/13/20

IV. Chancellor: ☐ for information   ☒ Recognition of Receipt
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Comments: _____

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Chancellor signature _____ date 8/31/2020

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Resolution to Endorse the Recommendations of the WCU Learning Management System Steering Committee for the Adoption of the Canvas Platform

WHEREAS learning management system (LMS) tools have become central to the delivery of content, assessment, and organization of the teaching and learning experience at WCU.

WHEREAS there is a need for a LMS to be adaptable to various display formats and interactions modes such as smart phones and tablets as these technologies emerge and become prevalent.

WHEREAS the contract for our current learning management system (LMS), Blackboard Learn, concludes in May 2021 and has been in use for more than ten years.

WHEREAS the WCU LMS Steering Committee has been charged to investigate market options for LMSs and spent the 2019-2020 academic year actively soliciting input from faculty, staff and students for three major LMS products in the market including vendor presentations, testing groups, and surveys.

WHEREAS the WCU LMS Steering Committee has compiled a report titled Next Generation Learning Environment and presented a unanimous recommendation to the Faculty, Staff and Administration after a meeting on July 14th, 2020.

THEREFORE be it Resolved that the Faculty Senate endorses the recommendation of the LMS Steering Committee to adopt the Learning Management System Canvas by Instructure AND to urge the Administration to begin contract negotiations with Instructure alongside the recommendations to retain third party add-ons that supply plagiarism detection, remote testing/proctoring, and accessibility features for this platform.