A RESOLUTION

Regarding Internal Governing Policies

Eastern Illinois University Faculty Senate October 24, 2023

Whereas the primary role of all committees and elected bodies of faculty at Eastern Illinois University, as advisory bodies, is to provide sound and timely counsel to the President and his appointed representatives;

Whereas advice and counsel, to be effective, must be presented prior to the adoption of a governing policy;

Whereas Internal Governing Policies are the primary mechanisms of institutional governance outside negotiated contracts; and

Whereas the Faculty Senate is a principal organ of shared governance at Eastern Illinois University; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Faculty Senate of Eastern Illinois University shall, through the joint mechanism of this resolution and appropriate written communication, request that future proposed Internal Governing Policies be shared with the Senate prior to their adoption.

While it is desirable that drafts of policies be provided with sufficent time to allow for discussion, in no case should this consideration be construed as posing an impediment to timely administrative action when circumstances, legal or otherwise, so warrant.

The Faculty Senate makes this request in accordance with the committee's obligation to advise on matters of shared governance and, through this resolution, neither seeks nor seeks to imply any formal role in the IGP adoption process.