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Governance Committee Report to the Faculty Senate

October 16, 2012

Announcement of Members of Major Search Committees

The Governance Committee has developed new wording for the existing University Policy on Search Committees. The Office of the Provost has reviewed the new wording and made some suggestions that have been incorporated into the final draft, as shown below. New text is in boldface:

The University of Mississippi Search Committees

The Faculty Senate will be asked to provide representation on all search committees for positions that have a direct organizational line to a Vice Chancellor or to the Chancellor (i.e. dean's *level* or higher). The Faculty Senate will be asked to nominate two people from the appropriately related Senate subcommittee, and the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor will select one. The current procedure of faculty involvement on academic search committees will be continued.

When the members of a search committee for a position at the level of dean or higher have been determined, the University Administration shall announce to the Faculty that a search committee has been convened, naming the position being filled and the members of the committee.

The Governance Committee suggests the following resolution be passed by the Senate:

Resolved, That the Faculty Senate recommends the new wording to the University Policy on Search Committees be adopted by the University Administration.