RELATIVE TO APPROVING THE CHARTERING OF THE FACULTY SENATE THAT WILL REPLACE THE FACULTY COUNCIL, UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (UAAC), AND UAAC'S SUBCOMMITTEES

WHEREAS, the University of Guam is the only U.S.-accredited university in the Western Pacific;

WHEREAS, the University of Guam is strongly committed to the standards of accreditation of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC);

WHEREAS, Standard 3.C.1 of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges states that the role of the faculty in various policymaking, planning, budgeting, and special purpose activities is clearly and publicly stated;

WHEREAS, Standard 3.C.2 of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges states that faculty have and exercise a substantial and independent voice in matters of educational program, faculty personnel, and other matters of institutional policy that relate to their areas of responsibility and expertise;

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents Academic and Personnel Subcommittee held a public hearing on November 24, 2000, and received public input on the concept of a Faculty Senate at the University of Guam;

WHEREAS, the UOG/GFT Faculty Union supports the Faculty Senate as set forth by the Chair of the UOG/GFT Faculty Union in a memo dated 21 December 2000 to the Acting President;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Council and the University Academic Affairs Committee (UAAC) and its subcommittees be dissolved, and that their functions be transferred to the Faculty Senate and the elected Faculty Senate and Academic Committees in accordance with the Transition Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that due to concerns that certain provisions of the Bylaws involve administrative matters outside the internal operations of the Faculty Senate (such as Article V, Section 5 [p. 3], Article VIII, 5th introductory paragraph [p. 5], Article VIII, Section 1 [p. 5], Article IX, 1st introductory paragraph [p. 7]), the Senate and the President shall meet and work together to amend the sections in question to ensure that they are consistent with the provisions of the laws of Guam, the BOR/GFT Agreement, and the BOR approved policies and procedures of the University;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate will not be involved in labor-management relations such as wages, hours, working conditions, and the resolution of grievances and adverse actions, which remain the responsibility of the UOG/GFT Faculty Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining unit for the Faculty of the University of Guam. If there is a conflict between the Faculty Senate and the existing collective bargaining agreement (CBA), the CBA shall control; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the University of Guam Faculty Senate is hereby chartered as the body through which the Faculty of the University of Guam exercise their role in the academic shared governance of the University.

Adopted this 18 day of January 2001.

ATTESTED:

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