

Resolution to Establish an Administrative and Professional Faculty Representative to the Board of Visitors

WHEREAS, CAPFA Resolution 2020-21A *Resolution to Approve the Constitution and Bylaws for the Administrative and Professional (A/P) Faculty Senate* was approved by University Council on February 15, 2021 and approved by the Board of Visitors on March 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, CAPFA Resolution 2020-21B *Joint Resolution to Revise Shared Governance at Virginia Tech* was approved by University Council on February 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the A/P Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws outline the leadership, membership, and role of the A/P Faculty Senate; and

WHEREAS, there is wide recognition of the complexity of the university's governance and general acknowledgement of the need for administration, faculty, staff, and student participation in the conduct of university affairs; and

WHEREAS, at this time, there is a mechanism for representatives from the faculty, staff, and student body to meet regularly with the Board of Visitors, but there is no such structured opportunity for communication between the Administrative and Professional Faculty and the Board of Visitors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President of the Administrative and Professional Faculty Senate be invited to sit with the Board of Visitors in open session and, when recognized by the Rector of the Board, to speak on matters of which they may be able to make contribution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Administrative and Professional Faculty Senate be invited to sit with any committee of the Board of Visitors in open session and to provide information and advice as deemed appropriate by the chair of that committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution will be effective immediately and that the By-laws of the Board of Visitors be updated accordingly.

Recommendation:

That the Resolution to Establish an Administrative and Professional Faculty Representative to the Board of Visitors be approved.

November 8, 2021