Faculty Senate Agenda Item

Number: __08-12____

SUBJECT: Proposed Regulations and Procedures for Electronic Information Security

Insofar as the proposed Regulations and Procedures for Electronic Information Security would impair the ability of faculty to engage in collaborative research, impede basic research by faculty and students, inhibit free flow of ideas, interfere with the normal operations of university libraries, ignore basic principles of academic freedom in classroom use of technology, eliminate faculty and student rights to intellectual property, impose unreasonable requirements and oversight to a wide range of faculty and student academic activity, limit the ability of the university to engage with the wider community and its off-campus constituencies, and fundamentally undermine teaching practices,

The Faculty Senate resolves:

1) That the present proposals be immediately abandoned;
2) That any future such document be prepared with full involvement of academic units affected by such practices;
3) That clear academic faculty oversight be established for technology initiatives that directly affect academic programs and activities.

Date: Dec. 8, 2008   Tom Prasch
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