Committee on Faculty Governance Motion to Change Term of Service on the Faculty Development Committee October 3, 2003

Motion: CFG moves that the term of service of the Faculty Development Committee (FDC), as described on page 214 of the Faculty Handbook, be changed from two years to three years.

Rationale: FDC is a committee in which experience and institutional memory are important factors in making decisions. The FDC committee members are in agreement that the 2-year term that faculty members currently serve is an impediment to this goal. If we could guarantee that one or more members in a given year had also served the preceding two, they would be able to help the rest of the committee consider 'standard practice,' precedents, and other important issues regarding awards and grants.

CFG proposes the following schedule to convert the 2-year terms to 3-years. In order to evolve to a rotation in which four faculty are replaced every three years (2 one year, 1 the next, and 1 the next), it is necessary to *start* the change with one more 2-year term.

Feb 2004 Election: Humanities 3-year term, Pre-professional 2-year term

Feb 2005 Election: Natural Science & Social Science, 3-year terms

Feb 2006 Election: Pre-professional 3-year term

Feb 2007 Election: Humanities 3-year term

Feb 2008 Election: Repeat of 2005, etc.