

UNH FACULTY SENATE
MOTION # XXV – M2
Extending the Special Procedural Rule for
Extraordinary Electronic Meetings
of the University of New Hampshire Faculty Senate

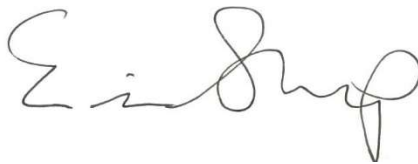
1. Motion presenter: Jim Connell, on behalf of the Agenda Committee

2. Dates of Faculty Senate Discussion: 06/29/20

3. **Rationale:** The novel coronavirus pandemic that has engulfed the world, the nation and the University of New Hampshire brings with it unique challenges. Acting under Article 6, Section a., second paragraph of the Faculty Senate Constitution, the Agenda Committee adopted an extraordinary procedural rule to commence electronic meetings (MOTION # XXIV – M9), which was unanimously ratified at the first such Senate meeting. In the spirit of Article 6, Section a., the motion was very narrowly worded, leaving it to the Senate’s discretion to expand the scope. It was so expanded by Motion XXIV-M13 to allow any actions that could be taken in normal meeting. The motion presently only applies until the University resumes face-to-face classes. While the University is planning to resume face-to-face classes in the Fall, it appears the public health situation will still be precarious at that time.

4. **Motion:** The Faculty Senate shall continue to meet extraordinarily via electronic means using such software as the Agenda Committee shall deem most suitable, provided such software is available to all members of the Faculty Senate, until such time as the Senate shall vote to resume face-to-face meetings.

5. **Senate Action:** The motion passed unanimously with 55 in favor, none opposed, and no abstentions.



6. Senate Chair’s signature: _

Erin Hiley Sharp

Forwarded to the following on July 16, 2020

President Jim Dean

Wayne Jones, Provost