UNH Faculty Senate  
Motion # X-M7  
Shared Governance and Resources Motion

1. Sponsoring committee: Academic Affairs Committee
2. Motion presenter: Bill Stine
3. Date of Faculty Senate discussion: 4/17/06
4. Motion:

Preamble - The development of new university-wide educational initiatives (e.g., the Discovery program) often calls on departments to develop courses or programs in coordination with those initiatives. Recognizing that

“When an educational goal has been established, it becomes the responsibility primarily of the faculty to determine the appropriate curriculum and procedures of student instruction (Joint Statement on Government of Colleges and Universities),”

and that

“The allocation of resources among competing demands is central in the formal responsibility of the governing board, in the administrative authority of the president, and in the educational function of the faculty. Each component should therefore have a voice in the determination of short- and long-range priorities (Joint Statement on Government of Colleges and Universities),”

the Academic Affairs Committee would like to offer the following motion.

The Faculty Senate re-affirms the principle that the choice of how any given department participates in university-wide educational initiatives is primarily the responsibility of the faculty. Further, if more resources are needed than the local systems can produce, deans and other administrators will work with departments to find ways to make new resources available.

5. Senate action: passed
   Vote: unanimous

Senate chair’s signature: 

 forwarded to: President Ann Hart, on April 26, 2006
 forwarded to: Provost Bruce Mallory, on April 26, 2006
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 forwarded to: All deans, on April 26, 2006