UNH FACULTY SENATE
MOTION # XIV-M6

on senate representation from UNH-Manchester

1. Motion presenter: Sarah Kenick

2. Date of Faculty Senate discussion: 11/16/09

3. Rationale:

The rationale is to remove the word “divisions”, in order to allow for the election of two at-large senators from the entire UNH-Manchester faculty rather than limiting representation to one senator from the Humanities Division and one senator from the Sciences Division. UNH-Manchester faculty members do not meet as division members but as a faculty at-large. In addition, under the current language of the constitution, the new Social Sciences Division is not able to elect representation to the Faculty Senate. There are 29 tenured or tenure-line faculty members at UNH-Manchester: 12 in the Humanities Division, 10 in the Social Sciences Division, and 7 in the Sciences Division. If UNH-Manchester is treated as a department (in the way that the UNH Library is) then two senators should be elected from UNH-Manchester faculty in accordance with the Senate Constitution.

4. Motion:

This motion is to change the Faculty Senate Constitution with respect to senate representation from UNH-Manchester. The senate constitution’s current language reads: "Each academic department shall elect one member to the Faculty Senate for a two-year term. Departments with more than 20 tenure-track faculty shall elect two senators. For purposes of Faculty Senate membership, the Library, the Thompson School, and UNH-Manchester divisions shall be treated in the same way as departments." The proposed change will read: “Each academic department shall elect one member to the Faculty Senate for a two-year term. Departments with more than 20 tenure-track faculty shall elect two senators. For purposes of Faculty Senate membership, the Library, the Thompson School, and UNH-Manchester shall be treated in the same way as departments.” It will also be necessary to correct the listing of eligible representatives noted in item 4 of the Bylaws to replace “UNH-M, Humanities and UNH-M, Sciences” with “UNH-M”.

5. Senate action: passed unanimously.

6. Senate chair’s signature: [Signature]

Forwarded to: President Mark Huddleston, on Dec. 1, 2009

Forwarded to: Provost John Aber, on Dec. 1, 2009

Forwarded to: Kristin Woolever, Dean of UNH-Manchester, on Dec. 1, 2009