UNH FACULTY SENATE
MOTION # XX-M33
on including student representatives on some standing senate committees

1. Motion presenters: Deb Kinghorn, on behalf of the Senate Agenda Committee

2. Dates of Faculty Senate discussion: 4/25/2016, 5/2/2016

3. Rationale: Committees whose work involves issues which can directly affect students’ lives, including Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, and Campus Planning, could benefit from more timely feedback from both undergraduate and graduate students on those issues. The Undergraduate Student Senate, the Graduate Student Senate and the Faculty Senate would all benefit from more fruitful communication between the three governmental bodies. Although students have occasionally had representation on the Student Affairs committee in the past, the practice has not been codified.

4. Motion: The Agenda Committee moves that the Undergraduate Student Senate and the Graduate Student Senate be invited annually to appoint one student from each body as a non-voting representative to the Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, and Campus Planning Committees of the Faculty Senate. Students will have no voting privileges, and are welcome to report the proceedings of the committees to their respective Senates.

The chairs of each committee are empowered to request the committees to enter executive session from which non-voting representatives are excluded.

5. Senate action: The motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

6. Senate chair’s signature: Deborah A Kinghorn

Forwarded to the following on May 13, 2016
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Interim Provost P.T. Vasudevan
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