

**UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AT AMHERST  
OFFICE OF THE FACULTY SENATE**

**AGENDA:** The 615<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Faculty Senate will be held on March 13, 2003 at 3:30 p.m. in Herter Hall 227.

**A. ADDRESS BY STEPHEN P. TOCCO, CHAIRMAN  
MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
(QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION TO FOLLOW)**

**B. ANNOUNCEMENTS (10-Minute Limit Per Speaker)**

1. Principal Administrative Officers
2. The Secretary of the Faculty Senate
3. The Chair of the Rules Committee
4. The Faculty Delegates to the Board of Trustees
5. The President of the Graduate Student Senate
6. The President of the Student Government Association
7. The Representative of the Massachusetts Society of Professors

**C. QUESTION PERIOD (10-Minute Limit)**

**D. Special Report from the Nominating Committee for Secretary of the Faculty Senate, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-018.**

*Additional nominations may be made from the floor.*

*The final vote will be taken at the 616<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Faculty Senate.*

**E. BYLAW CHANGE (Second Reading) (Report Previously Distributed)**

Special Report of the Undergraduate Education Council concerning A Bylaw Change, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-015 with Motion No. 14-03.

**MOVED:** That the Faculty Senate approve the Bylaw Change, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-015.  
**14-03**

(Inasmuch as this is a change to the Senate Bylaws, this is the second of three readings of this motion. It will be read again and voted on at the 616<sup>th</sup> meeting. The motion may be debated and amended at all three meetings.)

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Special Report of the Research Library Council concerning The Future of the Science and Engineering Libraries, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-019 with Motion No. 15-03.

**MOVED:** That the Faculty Senate endorse Comments and Recommendations 1 to 5 for The Future of the Science and Engineering Libraries, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-019.  
**15-03**

**(OVER)**

2. **Special Report of the International Studies Council concerning An Agreement for the Exchange of Students between Oxford Brookes University, Of Gipsy Lane, Headington, Oxford, United Kingdom and The University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts USA, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-020 with Motion No. 16-03.**

**MOVED: 16-03** That the Faculty Senate approve The Agreement for the Exchange of Students between Oxford Brookes University, Of Gipsy Lane, Headington, Oxford, United Kingdom and The University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts USA, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-020.

3. **Special Report of the University Computer and Electronic Communications Committee concerning The Student Information Service (SIS) Database Implementation, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-021 with Motion No. 17-03.**

**MOVED: 17-03** That the Faculty Senate approve an Academic Liaison Group to be formed under the direction of the Provost, bringing academic, administrative, managerial and end-user expertise to bear on SIS problems. The Group's responsibilities are to identify the most important current and future SIS problems and to bring together the appropriate people to create appropriate solutions. Membership should include academic advisors (end-users) from several schools and colleges and at least one representative from the University Computer and Electronic Communications Committee. The Academic Liaison Group should report regularly to the University Computer and Electronic Communications Committee and once per semester to the full Faculty Senate.

#### **G. OLD BUSINESS**

**Special Report of the Committee on Committees concerning Nominations to Faculty Senate Councils and Committees, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-013B with Motion No. 12-03.**

**MOVED: 12-03** That the Faculty Senate approve the nominations to Faculty Senate Councils and Committees, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 03-013B.