Council on Distance Education, Libraries, and Information Technology

Synopsis: Splits the current Council on Distance Education, Libraries and Information Technology (DELIT) committee into two committees: a Library Committee and a Committee on Academic Technology.

WHEREAS the Council on Distance Education, Libraries, and Information Technology (DELIT) currently has the broad charge of understanding and overseeing the university’s digital resources for education, communication, and information storage and exchange; and

WHEREAS the work of DELIT provides an important voice in key technological initiatives; and

WHEREAS there has been an expansion of concerns relating to academic technology, including but not limited to the area of remote teaching and learning; and

WHEREAS the university faces continued pressure to provide for both broad-based learning-based technological services and secure and/or specialized research-related technological services; and

WHEREAS the Ad Hoc Committee on Senate Committee Realignment received feedback from current and former DELIT members that the expansion in online teaching and learning along with increasing issues surrounding the use of technology warrant the re-organization of DELIT; and

WHEREAS the Ad Hoc Committee on Senate Committee Realignment recommended the division of the current DELIT committee into a library and an academic technology committee; and

WHEREAS a re-organization of DELIT would allow more time for in depth consideration of these important technology-related topics; and
WHEREAS the Rules Committee approved this resolution and proposed language on April 15th, 2022;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a revision to rule 3335-5-48.2 and the bylaws of the University Senate be approved by the University Senate and respectfully request concurrence of the Board of Trustees effective upon approval by the Board of Trustees.