

## **Proposal to Revise the University Policy Concerning Intellectual Property**

WHEREAS the university's current Policy on Patents and Copyright was enacted in 1987; and

WHEREAS rule 3335-13-06 empowers the intellectual properties, patents and copyrights committee (IPPC) to propose changes to the existing policy; and

WHEREAS after a multi-year drafting process IPPC proposes to revise and replace the existing policy; and

WHEREAS IPPC believes that the proposed revised policy reflects the university's commitment to academic freedom and the creation and dissemination of knowledge, the desire to commercialize intellectual property, and the interests of different stakeholders; and

WHEREAS the proposed revised policy was approved by, among others, the university's faculty council, senior management council, and President's cabinet; and

WHEREAS rule 3335-13-06 requires the approval of the university senate for every change in the university's intellectual property policy;

LET IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED that the university senate approves the revised intellectual property policy and respectfully requests the approval of the Board of Trustees, effective upon approval by the Board of Trustees.