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6 **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF EXPANSION OF**
7 **POSITIONS IN FACULTY SENATE**
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10 **WHEREAS**, UW Regulation 6-700, Article II, § 4(c)(1) (Bylaws of the University Faculty)
11 states that Senators shall be elected “by the academic departmental units of the University
12 Faculty;”
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14 **AND WHEREAS**, the concept of an academic departmental unit has expanded to include
15 programs, divisions, and schools with University Faculty whose lines are unique to those
16 programs, divisions, and schools and, as such, are disenfranchised under the current system
17 of representation;
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19 **AND WHEREAS** it is important to represent the interests of University Faculty in all
20 divisions, programs and schools at UW, particularly when diverging interests exist;
21 therefore,
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23 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, in the interest of honoring those units’ autonomy and rights to
24 self-determination and democratic participation in UW’s shared governance, the Faculty
25 Senate of the University of Wyoming interprets the term “academic departmental unit” to
26 include programs, divisions, and schools with University Faculty whose lines are unique to
27 those programs, divisions, and schools; and
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29 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** programs, divisions and schools with at least three
30 University Faculty members whose lines are not funded by at least 50% within any other
31 academic unit be allowed to petition for representation on Faculty Senate; and
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33 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, effective Academic Year 2015-2016, petitions for
34 representation be made to Faculty Senate Executive Committee using the attached format,
35 will be approved or denied by majority vote.

36 APPENDIX A:

37 **PETITION FOR REPRESENTATION ON FACULTY SENATE**

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39 Date of Application:

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41 Name of unit requesting representation:

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43 Number of current University Faculty within the unit¹:

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45 Number of current faculty members whose lines are 50% or more funded in another unit:

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47 Contact:

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51 Contact phone number:

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54 Date presented to Executive Committee:

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56 Action taken: ____ Approved or ____ Disapproved

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58 Signed: Secretary, Faculty Senate

¹ “The University Faculty” includes all persons classified as voting academic personnel whose majority line is in that unit. Voting academic personnel include, per UW Regulation 1-1, “Organization of the University”, III. A., “Academic Personnel”: professors of all ranks (professor, associate, assistant, or instructor), librarians of all ranks, archivists of all ranks, and academic professionals of all ranks (lecturers, research scientists, extension educators, and postdoctoral associates).