RESOLUTION BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY OF CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI CALLING FOR the establishment of a process to review and recommend changes in status of the University Standing Committees.

WHEREAS, Section 9 C of the faculty senate bylaws lists the university standing committees, including the following:

Attendance and Grievance Appeals
Courtey
Faculty and Staff Benefits
Graduation
Health and Wellness
Library
Research
Safety and Environment
Service Learning
Special Programs
Student Organizations
Student Publications
Teaching Excellence
Technology Across the Curriculum
Tenure and Promotions Appeals Committee
Writing Across the Curriculum

WHEREAS, one of these committees no longer exists, and other committees no longer have budgets or have met regularly over the course of several semesters, or recorded minutes and turned them into the Office of Academic Affairs,

AND WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate bylaws do not establish minimum standards for University standing committee status, or provide for the process to change or review the status of these 16 standing committees,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY OF CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI

That:

SECTION 1. Any university standing committee that has not met an average of one time per semester over the course of the 2009-2010 academic year be placed on probationary status;

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, any university standing committee that has not submitted minutes for meetings over the course of the 2009-2010 academic year be placed on probationary status;

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, any university standing committee that has not
had a minimum of 7 full-time faculty and staff sign up for the committee by September 1, 2010, be placed on probationary status;

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all committees placed on probationary status will have until April 1, 2011, to submit to the Faculty Senate president a short, approximately 500 word report outlining the continued need for standing committee status for their respective committee;

Section 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that after April 1, 2011, if a report has not been submitted, all standing committees on probationary status will be deactivated and dissolved as university standing committees, and be deleted from the list circulated by the Office of Academic Affairs during the 2011 committee sign-up periods.

Section 6. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, these deactivated committees or committees on probationary status will be assigned ad hoc committee status or merged with existing university committees at the Provost’s discretion and in consultation with the Faculty Senate’s Committee on Committees.

SPONSOR: Don Allan Mitchell

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President, Faculty Senate