Planned Actions Regarding Shared Governance and Tenure

BOARD OF REGENTS

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WHEREAS the Governor's biennial budget proposal calls for the deletion of statutory provisions regarding shared governance and tenure; and

WHEREAS the Board of Regents supports addressing shared governance and tenure in Board of Regents policy; and

WHEREAS the President of the Board of Regents has directed the creation of two highpriority task forces, each to be chaired by a member of the Board, to make recommendations for new Board of Regents policies on shared governance and tenure; and

WHEREAS the two committees are expected to make policy recommendations in time for the Board of Regents to adopt policies on shared governance and tenure in spring 2016, prior to the July 1, 2016 effective date of the Governor's proposal;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in the event that the Wisconsin State Legislature adopts the Governor's proposal to remove shared governance and tenure from the statutes, it include specific authority to the Board of Regents to establish policies of shared governance and tenure; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event that the Wisconsin State Legislature adopts the Governor's proposal to remove shared governance and tenure from the statutes with an effective date of earlier than July 1, 2016, the Board of Regents will, prior to the effective date of the legislation, adopt policies on shared governance and tenure that reflect the exact language of current statutory law. If this occurs, these policies will be replaced once the task forces complete their work and the Board of Regents adopts the resulting policies.

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