The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

PROPOSAL 32-96

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING TENURE-TRACK APPOINTMENTS

The Senate adopts the following recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee to Investigate Policies and Procedures Regarding Tenure-track Appointments.

- 1. University policy and procedures regarding hiring tenure-track academic appointments should be followed in all hires.
- 2. The Academic/Research Faculty Hiring Guide should be clarified and amended as follows:

1.0 New Hires

The following process is used when hiring anyone who has not been employed by the University and for all initial tenure-track academic appointments.

This would require that an initial tenure-track academic appointment follow the procedures outlined under "new hires," not "reappointments," and will preclude temporary academic hires and non-tenure-track faculty (lecturers and instructors) from being appointed to tenure-track positions without searches.

- 3. In exceptional cases where it is necessary to appoint an individual to an academic faculty position in violation of University hiring procedures, this individual should be appointed to a temporary position, and a search consistent with University hiring guidelines should then be conducted. Departments should be consulted about the position, review the credentials of the prospective hire, and approve the appointment.
- 4. A policy regarding spousal hiring which follows all University guidelines and procedures should be created.

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