28 September 1998

TO: Members, University Senate

FROM: Senate Council Office

RE: AGENDA ITEM: University Senate Meeting, Monday October 12,

1998. Proposal to adopt the policy on Academic Facilities

(Utilization of Classroom Space) for the Lexington Campus

Background and Rationale:

In the Fall, 1966, the Senate Committee on Academic Facilities was asked to consider developing a general policy on the utilization of classroom space. Then Registrar Betty Huff was concerned about the shrinking number of classrooms available to the Registrar's office for class scheduling as a result of classroom conversions to other needs, departmental/college decisions to take certain rooms off the list of those for general use, and an increasing tendency toward non-standard class hours that eroded the Registrar's ability to schedule classes.

After a number of meetings, a draft policy was circulated among the deans for their comments. The attached policy includes their input. One issue remains unresolved. It is not clear who will provide security for classrooms used in the evenings and weekends and how charges for these services, once the responsible unit is identified, will be calculated.

The Senate Council accepted the policy report from the Academic Facilities Committee and recommends it for adoption by the Senate.

Implementation: Immediate

Attachment

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