Proposed Adjustment to Faculty Council Apportionment

(For consideration by Faculty Council at meeting of Jan. 21, 2016.)

The apportionment of MU Faculty Council representation among the schools and colleges of the campus is set forth in Collected Rules and Regulations 300.010(H), which provides:

Each college or school shall be entitled to representation at a basic ratio of one representative for each fifty (50) T/TT faculty members or majority fraction thereof (26-49), and in particular as follows: one (1) representative for 1-75; two (2) representatives for 76-125; and so on for each additional fifty (50) T/TT faculty or major fraction thereof.

In the event the number of T/TT faculty members changes to the point where the basic ratio of one to 50 would give less than 25 or more than 30 representatives, the Council by a finding recorded in its minutes shall adjust the ratio to produce not less than 25 and not more than 30 T/TT faculty representatives.

(Note that as the example enumeration in the CRR demonstrates, schools and colleges receive a minimum of one representative.)

This year, Council has 26 members elected by the school and colleges (in addition to four representatives elected by the NTT faculty).

Based on the results of the most recent census of the faculty, applying the "basic ratio of one to 50" would give the schools and colleges a combined 24 T/TT representatives. Accordingly, it is Council's duty to adopt a new divisor that will yield a number of T/TT representatives between 25 and 30, inclusive.

If Council adopts 44 as the new divisor, then next year the schools and colleges would have 29 T/TT representatives. No school or college would lose a seat compared to the 2015-2016 apportionment. Education, Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine would each gain one seat from their current level.

Proposed Resolution:

Faculty Council hereby resolves, pursuant to its authority under CRR 300.010(H), that for the upcoming year (2016-2017), each college or school shall be entitled to representation at a basic ratio of one representative for each forty-four (44) T/TT faculty members or majority fraction thereof (23-43), and in particular as follows: one (1) representative for 1-66; two (2) representatives for 67-110; and so on for each additional forty-four (44) T/TT faculty or major fraction thereof.