

1. The Faculty Senate requests that the President provide the BOR-specified contracts to the Library Faculty of CSU immediately, and provide written explanation regarding the delay in provision of the 2009-2010 contracts for these faculty. The Senate requests information as to whether other non-tenure track faculty were, or were not, provided their contracts last fall.

2. The Faculty Senate requests reconsideration of the reporting structure for the Libraries, formerly a unit under Academic Affairs, now moved to University Information and Technology Services. As specified in the CSU Statutes, the CSU Libraries are an integral part of the institution's academic role and mission.

The Senate requests written documentation specifically addressing why, despite the Statutes, the CSU Libraries should not be part of Academics in the same manner as the colleges, with representation on the Academic Council and other academic groups, and with appropriate funding. The documentation should include successful examples of institutions where the library is outside the academic structure as well as those where the library is within the academic structure.

Statutes of Columbus State University: Article 3, Section 4

<http://faculty.colstate.edu/handbooks/ftfac/appendixie.asp>

3. The Faculty Senate requests reconsideration of the faculty status of newly-hired librarians. The increased emphasis on undergraduate, graduate and faculty research at CSU strengthens the rationale for faculty status for librarians.

4. The Faculty Senate requests that the search for a new Director/Dean of the CSU Libraries shall be conducted in the manner described in the CSU Statutes. The Library Faculty and the Library Advisory Committee shall be involved in establishment of the position qualifications and responsibilities. It is noted that the Librarian at Regional Universities, to which level CSU aspires, are identified as Faculty in the BOR policy. For State Universities, the faculty shall consist of full-time administrative officers. Therefore, the Senate recommends that the new leader of CSU libraries be a faculty member with the appropriate disciplinary credentials to hold academic rank.

CSU Statutes: Article 3, Section 4

<http://faculty.colstate.edu/handbooks/ftfac/appendixie.asp>

Board of Regents Policy Manual: Section 3.2.1

http://www.usg.edu/policymanual/section3/policy/3.2_faculties/#p3.2.1_faculty_membership

Association of College and Research Libraries

Joint Statement on Faculty Status of College and University Librarians

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/standards/jointstatementfaculty.cfm>