## NOTICE OF NO-PROTEST PROCEDURE FOR PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE CRITERIA USED TO DETERMINE THE VOTING MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY IN THE *HANDBOOK OF OPERATING PROCEDURES* 2-1010 AND 2-1020 (D 14482-14489)

To:	Voting Members of the General Faculty
From:	Hillary Hart, Secretary
Subject:	Proposed changes to the criteria used to determine voting members of the General Faculty
Date:	March 31, 2016

This notice is to inform you of your opportunity to either accept (by taking no action) or to protest (as described below) the legislation concerning the criteria for determining the voting members of the General Faculty. Members of the General Faculty endorsed the spirit of the changes when a draft proposal was presented at the annual meeting of the General Faculty on January 25, 2016. The Faculty Rules and Governance Committee submitted the final version to the Office of the General Faculty on March 30, 2016. Because the proposal is classified as *major* legislation, it must, according to the by-laws of the General Faculty, be submitted to the General Faculty on a no-protest basis. The proposal (D 14482-14489) can be viewed online at the following URL: http://www.utexas.edu/faculty/council/2015-2016/legislation/voting\_rights\_033016.pdf.

The legislation will be submitted to the president for approval as General Faculty legislation unless protests are received by the secretary from 3% of voting members of the General Faculty by 5:00 p.m. **April 21, 2016**. If sufficient protests are received, a special meeting of the General Faculty will be called within thirty days or in early fall 2016 to discuss the legislation for potential vote.

Protests, including the name of the protestor and the reason(s) for the protest, may be sent to the Office of the General Faculty by email at fc@austin.utexas.edu or mailed to one of the following addresses: Campus Mail: WMB 2.102, F9500. U.S. Mail: Office of the General Faculty University of Texas at Austin P.O. Box 7816 Austin, TX 78713-7816