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Motion(s):

On behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, I move that the Faculty Handbook is no longer distributed in hard-copy, with the understanding that a (printable) digital version of the Handbook will be posted on the VPAA website; an archive of the annual publication of the Handbook be created in Digital Commons; and a hard-copy will be created and stored as a Reference text in each campus' library.

Rationale:

Printing and distributing hard-copies of the Faculty Handbook is a considerable expense in time, material, and money. Our catalogs have moved to digital editions, and most of our peer institutes also rely on digital versions of such documents. The environmental saving is noteworthy, but the annual cost saving of not printing the document for all three campus would be the equivalent of fully funding a graduate student's study for the year. Digital versions are easier to navigate and store. The printable copy would allow any individual faculty or office to print a hard-copy on demand.

Response:

Approved by the Senate: 9/5/2018
Approved by the President: 9/7/2018