TO:               Fort Wayne Senate

FROM:         Executive Committee

DATE:          August 22, 2005

SUBJ:           Amendment to the Constitution: Expanding Opportunities to Serve the Campus Community

DISPOSITION:  To the Nominations and Elections Committee for submission to the Voting Faculty for approval by secret mail ballot; upon approval, to the Faculty for information and to the presiding officer for implementation

Whereas, many dedicated faculty members are precluded from serving in the Fort Wayne Senate due to apportionment issues; and

Whereas, the operation and scope of the Fort Wayne Senate are paramount issues at IPFW;
Be It Resolved, That the Senate approve the attached amendment to the Constitution; and

Be It Further Resolved, That this amendment become effective immediately after ratification by the Voting Faculty.
Proposed Constitutional Amendment

Changes are highlighted in bold.

VII. Governing Body: The Senate

A. Membership

Apportionment. Senate membership shall be apportioned among the major academic units according to the number of Voting Faculty comprising those units. One member shall be allocated to each unit for every six Voting Faculty in that unit. In each academic unit containing ten percent or more of the Voting Faculty, the chief academic officer of the unit shall be allocated one of the unit’s Senate seats. An additional eight senators, not subject to the apportionment requirements listed, will be elected on a university-wide basis by voting faculty. Eligibility of the additional eight senators is limited to tenured faculty members and librarians only.