University Committee on Promotions Report November 15, 2002 C. Richard McKenzie, Designated Senator

The committee elected Jeanne Whitney as its chair for the fall semester and Elisha Venso as chair for the spring semester.

The Promotions committee met twice during the Fall semester. The meetings were largely devoted to planning how to carry out the Senate directives regarding a study of possible school promotion committees.

We decided to

- 1) ask the departments to give input on promotions criteria and what they think a school promotions structure should look like,
- 2) form, by election, ad hoc (mock) school committees to review and debate the department responses and then to offer suggestions about school committees to us.
- 3) submit a report to the senate based on the responses in the above items.

The original deadline for accomplishing #1 was set as Dec. 1, 2002. This has be extended to Dec. 15, 2002. Due to difficulties in holding an election in mid-year, it has be tentatively decided not to form the ad hoc committees mentioned in #2. Instead, the Promotions Committee may, itself, review the department's submissions and write the report to the Senate based on its own findings.