THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

FWDC 4: Dissolving the Textbook Committee

(SD3508S) Faculty Handbook Section 10.3.14

Effective Date: Immediately

Summary: This document removes the Textbook Committee as a standing faculty committee.

Rationale: The textbook Committee was established in 2008 in response to a UNC initiative suggesting that each campus have a permanent body to review textbook policies on a regular basis. As of 2021, General Administration has no requirements for campus bookstores and no longer requests annual reports on textbooks. Last summer, UNCA signed a new bookstore contract with Follett, which sets the parameters for policies and procedures regarding the sale and repurchase of instructional materials. Moreover, the bookstore textbook manager communicates directly with faculty and students regarding instructional materials. Consequently, there is no longer a need to have a Textbook Committee as a standing committee.

Revise Section 10.3.14 as follows:

10.3.14 Textbook Committee (DISSOLVED) (SD3508S)

Purpose

- To ensure articulation of UNC Asheville Bookstore policies and procedures with General Administration requirements.
- To review annually UNC Asheville Bookstore policies and procedures regarding sale and repurchase of instructional materials.
- To communicate regularly with UNC Asheville faculty and students regarding policies and procedures regarding instructional materials.

Membership

- Four faculty members, one from each of the four program areas (including University Programs), one of whom serves as chair; serve two-year staggered years; elected by the Faculty Senate.
- Textbook manager, ex officio non-voting
- Director of Auxiliary Services, ex officio non-voting
- Academic Affairs designee, appointed by the Provost
- Financial Aid designee, appointed by the Director of Financial Aid
- Two students, to serve one-year term, appointed by the Dean of Students

The Chair will convene the committee at least twice each semester.

Initially two faculty members will serve 2008-2010 and two faculty members will serve 2008-2009.

Recommendations to: Provost

Reports to: Provost