Date:	January 27, 2016
To:	Jess Jacobson Chair, Elections, Representation, & Governance Committee
From:	Willie Brown Chair, University Senate
Subject:	Modify the Membership of the Information Technology Council to Include a Representative of the University Libraries
Senate Document #:	15-16-18
Deadline:	February 16, 2016

The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) requests that the Elections, Representation, & Governance (ERG) Committee review the attached proposed revision to the University Information Technology (IT) Council structure and evaluate whether a representative of the University Libraries should be added to the membership of the council.

Specifically, we ask that you:

1. Consult with the proposer.

2. Consult with an appropriate representative of the Division of Information Technology.

3. Consult with the Chair of the University IT Council.

4. If appropriate, recommend changes to the Senate Bylaws.

We ask that you submit your report and recommendations to the Senate Office no later than February 16, 2016. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Reka Montfort in the Senate Office, extension 5-5804.

Attachment

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University Senate
PROPOSAL FORM

Name:	Gary White
Date:	November 30, 2015
Title of Proposal:	Modify the membership of the Information Technology Council to include a Representative of the University Libraries
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Constituency (faculty, staff, undergraduate, graduate):	Faculty
Description of issue/concern/policy in question:	There is a movement to add a member of the Division of Information Technology to the University Library Council. It is imperative that the Libraries and IT work collaboratively through a range of information technologies as there are mutual issues that both units are addressing in how to best support delivery of quality instruction and the support of research/research programs. Therefore, in addition to having an IT representative on the University Libraries Council, it will likewise be beneficial to having a member from the Libraries as a representative on the Information Technology Council. This representative will help ensure that both the Libraries and IT will work together to effectively address broad issues of technical feasibility, integration of services, fostering synergy between information technology groups across campus, and other issues as part of the Information Technology Council's mandate to provide guidance on these issues to the Chief Information Officer (CIO). In addition, a Libraries representative is important as the IT council addresses broad issues including cybersecurity, IT efficiencies, and enterprise systems and these same issues pertain to the Libraries as they address university-wide issues around supporting research and teaching.

Description of action/changes you would like to see implemented and why:	Add a representative of the University Libraries to the membership of the Information Technology Council.
Suggestions for how your proposal could be put into practice:	The representative of the University Libraries would be ex-officio. The representative would be appointed by the Dean of University Libraries.
Additional Information:	ULC has voted in favor of Elizabeth Beise's proposal to add a Representative of the Division of Information Technology to the University Library Council and supports this reciprocal proposal to likewise add a member of the University Libraries to the Information Technology Council. December 16, 2015: The ULC voted unanimously to support the motion.