COUNCIL: COUNCIL ON TECHNOLOGY FOR INSTRUCTION AND RESEARCH

AUSPICES: The Council on Technology for Instruction and Research is a standing Council of the USF Faculty Senate and receives authority for its actions through that body.

CHARGE: The Council on Technology for Instruction and Research is responsible for advising the USF Faculty Senate and the Provost on all matters pertaining to the function, policies, and requirements regarding the use of technology in instruction and research.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Council shall develop its own operating procedures, subject to the approval of the Provost. The Council shall operate under a broad definition of technology, including, but not limited to, computer and other electronic and digital technologies.

The Council’s duties include advocating the interests of the faculty before the Faculty Senate and the Provost in matters concerning:

1. Setting priorities in the allocation of academic computing financial resources for the development, implementation, and support of campus-based and distance teaching, research, and service.

2. Providing long- and short-range planning for technology resources and structures necessary to support the teaching and research function of the university.

3. Formulating methods to encourage and facilitate the effective use of computing and other technologies in the university’s teaching and research functions including monitoring the effects on faculty work life of these technologies.

4. Protecting rights to intellectual property developed in relation to instructional technologies for campus-based and distance teaching, research, and service.
MEMBERSHIP: Membership shall consist of one faculty representative from each college and unit with voting representation in the Faculty Senate. There shall be one additional faculty representative from any college having more than 250 full-time faculty members, plus a third faculty representative from any college having more than 400 full-time faculty members.

Faculty members of the council will be appointed for staggered three-year terms, with one third retiring each year. Members may serve two consecutive terms, after which they must retire from the council for one full year before seeking re-appointment.

Two students, one graduate and one undergraduate, appointed for one-year terms, may be reappointed once (voting).

Four staff members (two Staff, two A&P), appointed for three-year terms, may be reappointed (voting).

Assistant Vice Provost of Innovative Education, and/or designee(s) (ex-officio, nonvoting).

The Director of Online Faculty Development, and/or designee(s) (ex-officio, nonvoting).

The Vice President and CIO of Information Technology, and/or designee(s) (ex-officio, nonvoting).

Director of USF Academy for Teaching and Learning Excellence (ATLE), and/or designee(s) (ex-officio, nonvoting).

AD HOC COMMITTEES:

The Chair shall appoint ad hoc committees as needed for the conduct of Council business. Innovative Education and Information Technology may appoint members (nonvoting) as needed to serve as resource persons for ad hoc committees.

APPOINTMENT: Nominees will submit nomination forms to the Committee on Committees of the Faculty Senate which will review each nominee. The Faculty Senate President will appoint the voting members of this council upon the recommendation of the Faculty Senate.

CHAIR: The Chair shall be a voting faculty member elected by the Council.

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