RESOLUTION
College Advisory Council
College of Communication Arts and Sciences

The College Advisory Council (CAC) of the College of Communication Arts and Sciences (CAS) endorses efforts by the Faculty Voice Task Force 1 (TF1) to design a more efficient and inclusive governance structure. Our endorsement of the specifics of the proposal is not, however, unqualified. Our most pressing concern is with the composition of The Steering Committee (TSC) given the power that is vested in it. The general concern regarding composition is that TSC will not provide a balanced representation of the interests of all colleges at MSU. The specific concern regarding composition is that small colleges will be disadvantaged relative to large colleges. Given the important role of TSC in setting the agenda of other governance bodies and in orchestrating faculty representation to the Board of Trustees, the CAC suggests that in the implementation of TF1 recommendations, innovative solutions to this potential problem are devised to insure that all colleges will be heard in an equitable way.

Adopted in principle at the CAC meeting on April 27, 2007.