RESOLVED, That the Senate approve the following:

A. The Appendix to the Faculty By-laws which lists the Councils and Committees of the Senate is amended by adding after the paragraph dealing with the Council on Educational Policy a new paragraph reading as follows:

THE COUNCIL ON UNIVERSITY EVALUATION AND IMPROVEMENT

1. The Council shall consist of 12 members appointed by the Executive Committee and shall include:

1.1 Six members of the faculty of whom three shall be Senators;
1.2 Six members of the student body of whom three shall be Senators and of whom two shall be graduate students and one of whom shall be a Senator.

2. The Council is given the responsibility for:

2.1 Studying and evaluating the performance of the University as a whole and of its various components and of reporting its findings and conclusions to the Senate.
2.2 Identifying such dehumanizing, anachronistic, and inequitable policies and practices as may exist and for calling them, with or without suggestions respecting corrective measures, to the attention of responsible administrative officials, other Senate Councils and/or the Senate.
2.3 Soliciting and generating innovative ideas for the improvement of the University and for its renewal and adaptation to its changing economic and social environment and for bringing such ideas and suggestions as merit further consideration to the President and the Senate either directly or by reference to appropriate Senate Council.

B. The Senate urges the President to assign, to the extent that budgetary limits and other obligations permit, a competent professional employee of the University to serve as supportive staff to this Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE: All organizations need a continuing evaluation that is broader than that implicit in the budget process and a mechanism for the research and development which is a pre-requisite to creative
innovation in a rapidly evolving contest. Too often these functions are submerged by day-to-day operations. This Council should not have any routine or operative functions. Neither should it be attached to any specific administrative office. Rather it should be free to investigate, to undertake research, to appraise any and all aspects of the University's performance, and to explore, develop, and sponsor innovative ideas. Its functions should be regarded as wholly and exclusively advisory.

Motion approved – March 25, 1970