

Faculty Senate Resolution 2004-05-05
FACULTY ABILITY TO BROADCAST EMAIL

WHEREAS the current email system at CNU renders individual faculty members unable to communicate broadly with other faculty, administrators, and students without sending their messages through an empowered intermediary (that is, no “faculty@cnu” or “fac/staff@cnu” or “students@cnu” lists exist on the new system); and

WHEREAS the current limitations on faculty ability to broadcast email make it difficult for faculty members to publicize academic events, which are part of broader educational experience at CNU, to both faculty colleagues and students; and

WHEREAS the current restrictions make it difficult for university committee chairs to disseminate timely information to faculty members; and

WHEREAS the inability to send email to all faculty affects the flow of information as well as the sense of community among the faculty; and

WHEREAS the ability of faculty to communicate freely and without restriction about issues and events of concern to the university community is essential to the vitality of that community; and

WHEREAS dedicated electronic bulletin boards are limited in their ability to disseminate information or to encourage free discourse;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT Christopher Newport University reinstate to its faculty the ability to communicate broadly through the email system to all faculty at CNU, all students at CNU, and all staff at CNU without intermediaries.

Sponsors: Senators Schwarze and Underwood