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**Presidential Search Recommendations**

We, the members of the McNeese State University Faculty Senate, in order to recruit and hire candidates that will serve as strong faculty advocates in University and state policy do hereby move to discuss and identify the core foci for questions of potential McNeese State University Presidential candidates.

In the McNeese State University Faculty Senate

*February 1, 2017*

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MOTION

Whereas, Dr. Philip Williams will be retiring at the end of the academic year, and

Whereas, the Faculty Senate President has been appointed as a voting member on the committee to find his replacement, and

Whereas, McNeese State University faculty have endured profound professional and economic challenges due to state reductions in public funding of higher education, and

Whereas, the University President will be the primary mechanism of interaction with governing agencies which set both state policy and develop the higher education funding formula, and

Whereas, a formal recruitment and interview process will necessitate focused questions to address faculty needs, and

Now, therefore, be it moved by the McNeese State University Faculty Senate, that

1. The Faculty Senate open discussion on the areas and ideal qualities of the incoming McNeese State University President, and
2. The Faculty Senate form an *ad hoc* committee to identify essential questions to be asked to prospective candidates.
  - a. This *ad hoc* committee will provide the Faculty Senate with a list of questions for the March Faculty Senate meeting.