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DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA ARTS

**TO:** Faculty Senate

**FROM:** A. Porter McLaurin, Chairman  
Patent and Copyright Committee

**DATE:** November 2, 1990

**RE:** Annual Report (1989-90)

The University Patent and Copyright Committee met with some regularity during the past year. All matters related to patent questions, with the exception of the request of Professor Ott of the College of Education, whose request dealt with copyright. The Committee decisions as to the category of each request were forwarded to the Office of the Provost of the University.

Throughout this past year the Committee recommended that the inventor's equity in Category 2 Patents be thirty (30) per cent. Thus, the Committee is on record as recommending that level of equity. The Committee also supported by resolution, the consideration of a \$500.00 award being granted to a faculty member who receives a patent as encouragement for faculty to proceed with appropriate procedural actions relative to patent matters, and to recognize their accomplishments.

At the final meeting of the University Patent and Copyright Committee, the Committee expressed its appreciation to Professor David Shipley for his excellent work as Chair, and elected Professor A. Porter McLaurin as Chairman for the next academic year.

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