

Reports and Curriculum Proposals, 2007-08

PROPOSED CHANGES TO STANDING COMMITTEES MARCH 5, 2008

Article V: Standing Committees & Other Elective or Appointed Positions

Section 5.09 Standing Committees:

a. The Committee on Admissions, Academic Standing, and Financial Aid composed of four members elected by the Faculty, one representative from the Advising Center, the Registrar, the Admissions Officer, the Director of Financial Aid, The Director of the ACT 101 Program, the Vice President for Enrollment Planning or designee, and two students. Students appearing before the Committee shall have the option of excluding the students on the Committee from hearing their case.

NEW: Change:

The Committee on Admissions, Academic Standings and Financial Aid shall be composed of five faculty members elected at large by the faculty (*one of which must be from the graduate faculty*), and two students appointed by SGA, and 2 administrative members from the Office of Student Life and Enrollment. The two students can participate only in meeting of the committee dealing with policies. They will not be allowed to participate in the hearings of student appeals of academic probation and suspension.

b. The Committee on Assessment and Evaluation composed of one Faculty person from each school of study, one from the professional staff in the Library, one from the graduate faculty, the Vice-President for Academic Affairs, the Director of Institutional Research, one alumnus on staff, one undergraduate student, and one graduate student.

NEW: Change:

The Committee on Assessment and Evaluation shall be composed of five faculty members elected as follows: one faculty from each of the three schools, one from the professional staff in the Library, and one faculty from the faculty teaching in the graduate school and two students: 1 undergraduate and one graduate school students. The following are ex-officio members: The Vice President for Academic Affairs, The Director of Institutional Research, and one alumnus on staff.

c. The Curriculum Committee composed of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Registrar, four elected members of the Faculty, one from each of the schools of study, one from the graduate faculty, and two students.

NEW: Change:

The Curriculum Committee and the Educational Policies Committee will be merged into one committee. There will be a Curriculum subcommittee.

d. The Committee on Educational Policies composed of the Vice President for Academic Affairs (chairperson), two students, and five members elected by the Faculty, one from each of three schools of study, one at large, and one from the graduate faculty.

NEW: Change: Merge the Curriculum Committee with the Committee on Educational Policies.

The Committee on Educational Policies and Curriculum shall be composed of ten faculty members elected as follows: three from each of the three schools (1 of each school representative should be tenured faculty and one is from the graduate faculty), and one from the professional staff in the Library and two students, The Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Registrar. There will be a subcommittee on Curriculum with at least 1 faculty member from each of the three schools of study. The faculty will elect a co-chair to serve with the Vice President for Academic Affairs as co-chairs of this committee.

e. The Committee on Faculty By-Laws composed of three members elected by the Faculty.

NEW: Change:

The Committee on Faculty By-laws *and Governance* composed of *five* members of the faculty (Three at large, *the elected secretary, and the elected parliamentarian*) and one student.

f. The Judicial Committee composed of three non-administrative members with permanent tenure elected by the Faculty.

Change: None.

g. The Committee on Nominations composed of three members elected by the Faculty, one from each of the schools of study, and one student.

Change: None.

h. The Committee on Promotions, Tenure, and Severance composed of three members elected by the Faculty, one from each of the schools of study. Only members of the Faculty on permanent tenure and of Professor rank shall be eligible for election. The Chairperson of the committee shall be the elected Faculty member with seniority on the committee.

1. An alternate member shall be elected each year from the school of the retiring member of the committee to participate in discussions, and voting when a regular member of the committee is unavailable, for any reasons, to participate in the discussion and voting on a given application. The alternate member becomes a full member of the Committee for three years in succession to the retiring member of the Committee.

NEW: Change in title only: The Committee on Promotion, Tenure, Sabbatical, and Severance.

i. The Committee on Student Health, and Welfare composed of two administrative officers responsible for student affairs, five members elected by the Faculty, one of whom shall serve as chairperson and shall vote in case of a tie, the Director of Health Services, and six students chosen from the upper classes. The Committee shall be empowered to form a subcommittee to investigate, study and evaluate student attitudes, behavior, health and general welfare. A University designated physician, psychiatrist, or psychologist shall be consulted as the need arises.

NEW: Change:

The Committee on Student Life and Welfare composed of five faculty members elected at large and six students chosen from the upper classes nominated by SGA. (Two from each of the following classes: Sophomore, Junior, and Senior) two representatives from the Office of Student Life and Enrollment Planning, Director of Health Services, and the University Chaplain.

j. The Faculty Development Committee composed of one elected from each school, one elected from the Library, one elected from the graduate faculty, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, and one student.

k. The Committee on Research and Publications composed of three members elected by the Faculty and one student.

NEW: Change:

Merge 2 committees together: The Faculty Development Committee and the Committee on Research and Publications.

The Committee on Faculty Development, Research and Publications will be composed of five faculty members: one from each of the three schools, one graduate faculty, and one professional librarian from the Library and one student. The Vice President for Academic Affairs or his/her designee will be an ex-officio member.

l. The Technology Committee composed of four members elected by the Faculty, one from each school of study and one from the library, three members from the Administration, the Chair of the Math and Computer Science Department, and two students.

NEW: Change:

The Technology Committee composed of eight members elected by the faculty (two from each school of study, one from the professional staff in the Library, and one from the graduate faculty), two students, the Director of Academic Technology, the Director of Information Technology, and a designee of the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

m. The Committee on Athletics composed of the Director of Athletics, three members elected by the Faculty, and three students.

NEW: Change:

The Committee on Athletics composed of six faculty members (*Three elected at large, two student-athlete academic advisors, Faculty Athletics Representative appointed by the President*), three students (*one male athlete, one female athlete nominated by SAAC and one student nominated by the SGA*), The Director of Athletics, Senior Women Administrator in the Athletics Department.

n. The Committee on Honorary Degrees composed of two members elected by the faculty, three appointed by the President, and two students. This committee shall meet no later than September 30 to consider Faculty recommendations for honorary degrees. It shall thereafter meet with a similar committee of the Board of Trustees for the purpose of making recommendations to the faculty.

NEW: Change:

The Bylaws Committee recommends this standing committee be abolished since this is no longer the practice. The Board of Trustees has assumed full control of the honorary degrees.

o. The Committee on Honors and Awards composed of four members elected by the faculty, the Director of the Honors Program, and two students.

NEW: Change:

The Committee on Honors and Awards composed of six members elected by the faculty (*two members from each school of study*), the Director of the Honors Program, *three students (one from each school of study)*.

p. The Juridical Review Committee composed of three members elected from the Faculty and four students.

NEW: Change:

The Bylaws Committee recommends this standing committee be abolished since judicial system is now entirely handle by new student run system in the Office of Student Life and Enrollment.

q. The Committee on Lectures and Recitals composed of the Head Librarian or designee, three members elected by the Faculty and two students.

r. The Committee on the Library composed of the Head Librarian, four members elected by the Faculty, one from each of the schools of study, one from the graduate faculty, and two students. After consultation with the Head Librarian the Faculty By-Laws Committee recommends no change with these two committees.

s. The Committee on Religious Activities composed of the Chaplain, two members elected by the Faculty and two students.

NEW: Change:

The Bylaws Committee recommends that the committee be abolished and its responsibilities be assumed by the Committee on Student Life and Welfare. The University Chaplain will become a member of the Student Life and Welfare Committee.

t. The Faculty Committee on Writing composed of six members elected by the Faculty, one from the Library, the Director of the English Department Composition Program, one member of the staff in the writing lab, and one student who has passed the Writing Proficiency Exam.

The By-laws Committee makes no recommendation on the status of this committee. We will provide some options and let the faculty determine the status of this committee.

Option A: Keep the committee with a renewed focus.

Option B. Abolish the Committee.

Option C. Create the following committee:

The Faculty Committee on Writing *and Reading* composed of *seven* members elected by the Faculty (two from each school of study and one from the professional staff in the Library), The Director of English Composition Program, *one member from the Learning Resource Center, the WAC/WID Coordinator, and two students.*

u. The Committee on Graduate Studies composed of one elected Faculty from each graduate program, two graduate students, Director of the Urban Center, the Head Librarian, the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Change:

The Bylaws Committee recommends that this committee be abolished since the Graduate Council has been created to replace the functions and responsibilities of the committee.