

Reports and Curriculum Proposals, 2007-08

PROPOSED CHANGES TO STANDING COMMITTEES REVISED MARCH 28, 2008

Bylaws Changes for Faculty Action

Section V: Committees

Current: Proposed Action: specifies that the SGA is primarily responsible for the appointment of student members, and gives a deadline for those appointments.

5.07 Students shall be invited to serve on committees as specified hereafter, or upon the invitation of any committee. Student members shall be permitted to vote on committees.

5.07 Students shall be appointed to standing committees annually by the SGA no later than October 15 and shall be permitted to serve and vote on such committees, except as specified hereafter.

Changes for Section 5.09 Standing Committees:

The Committee on Admissions, Academic Standing, and Financial Aid

Current: Proposed Action: updates and changes the membership of the committee

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.

The Committee on Admissions, Academic Standing, and Financial Aid shall be composed of *five* members (four at large and one from the graduate faculty), *two administrative level representatives appointed by the Office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management*, and two students. *Student members shall not participate in hearings of student appeals of academic probation or suspension.*

Committee on Faculty Bylaws

Current: Proposed Action: updates and changes the membership of the committee.

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

The Committee on Faculty By-laws and Governance shall be composed of *five* members of the faculty (three at large, *the Faculty Secretary, and the Faculty Parliamentarian*) and one student. (Action: the Committee BROADENS THE SCOPE OF FUNCTIONS to include faculty

governance issues and ADDS EX OFFICIO MEMBERSHIP OF THE PARLIAMENTARIAN AND THE FACULTY SECRETARY).

The Committee on Technology

Current: Proposed Action: updates and changes the membership of the committee to accommodate changes in positions and titles.

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.

***The Committee on Technology** shall be 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 Support Center, the Director of Information Technology, and the Vice President of Academic Affairs or designee.*

The Athletics Committee

Current: Proposed Action: updates and changes the membership of the committee to align with NCAA member practices.

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

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

The Committee on Honors and Awards

Current: Proposed Action: updates the membership to include equitable school representation).

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

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

The Committee on Writing

Current: Proposed Action: updates the membership, including position and title changes

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 Faculty Committee on Writing shall be 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 representative from the Learning Resource Center, the WAC/WID Coordinator, and two students.*

The Committee on Assessment and Evaluation

Current: Proposed Action: changes the wording or adds wording of the committee but proposes no substantial change in membership or function.

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.

The Committee on Assessment and Evaluation *shall be composed of five members elected by the Faculty (one from each school, one from the Library professional staff, and one graduate faculty), two students (one undergraduate and one graduate student). Ex officio members include The Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Director of Institutional Research, and one alumnus on staff.*

The Committee on Promotions, Tenure, and Severance

Current: Proposed Action: changes the name of the committee (adds “sabbatical” to the title).

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. a.. 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.

The Committee on Promotions, Tenure, *Sabbatical*, and Severance shall be 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. a.. 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.

The Committee on Student Health and Welfare & The Committee on Religious Activities

Current: Proposed Action: merges committees because of a similar function.

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.

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

The Committee on Student Life and Welfare *shall be composed of five faculty members elected at large, and six students, two representatives appointed by the Office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, the Director of Health Services, and the University Chaplain .*

The Faculty Development Committee & The Committee on Research and Publications
Current: Proposed Action: merges committees because of a similar function.

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.

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

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

The Committee on Honorary Degrees
Current: Proposed Action: Charge to the Committee.

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 **Charge:** the Committee is charged with examining its function in the light of new practices of selecting honorary degree candidates by the Board of Trustees and in the light of the Faculty Bylaws, section 2.03. It shall report to the Faculty no later than the last regularly scheduled Faculty Meeting in the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

The Juridical Review Committee
Current: Proposed Action: Charge to the Committee.

The Juridical Review Committee composed of three members elected from the Faculty and four students. **Charge:** the Committee is charged with examining its function in the light of new practices of judicial hearings conducted by students and in the light of the Faculty Bylaws, section 2.04. It shall report to the Faculty no later than the last regularly scheduled Faculty Meeting in the 2008-2009 Academic Year. .

The Committee on Graduate Studies

Current: Proposed Action: Charge to the Committee.

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. the Committee is charged with examining its function in the light of the role of the Graduate Council Committee, Educational Policies Committee, and the Curriculum Committee. It shall report to the Faculty no later than the last regularly scheduled Faculty Meeting in the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

No Proposed Changes

No Proposed Changes for the following committees:

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.

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.

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

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

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

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.