

Reported to the Board of Trustees  
July 19, 2018

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Board Meeting  
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CHANGES IN SENATE BYLAWS  
(Report for Information)

The University of Illinois *Statutes* provide that changes in Senate bylaws are reported to the Board of Trustees. The proposed changes to the Urbana-Champaign Senate are attached.

The University Senates Conference has indicated that no further Senate jurisdiction is involved. The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Vice President, University of Illinois and the Executive Vice President and Vice President for Academic Affairs concur with the recommended changes in the bylaws.

The President of the University recommends receipt of the bylaw changes.

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**URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE**

University Statutes and Senate Procedures  
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SP.17.15      Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.10 – Senate Committee on Equal Opportunity and Inclusion

**BACKGROUND**

As currently constituted by *Bylaws*, Part D.10, the Senate Committee on Equal Opportunity and Inclusion (EQ) consists of five faculty members, one academic professional, two students and up to three *ex officio* members, who are recommended by the voting members and approved by the Senate, representing underrepresented, historically disadvantaged, or marginalized groups.

This committee is asked to address an increasingly complex charge, including: developing and supporting programs and guidelines that promote an equitable and welcoming campus environment for members of any underrepresented, historically disadvantaged, or marginalized groups; addressing academic and civil service employment, teaching, and research; addressing public service, admissions, financial aid, as well as educational policies, practices, and programs for undergraduate and graduate students; and addressing community projects and studies which relate to equal opportunity for disadvantaged and minority groups. The committee is also called upon to evaluate the “equal opportunity” posture of the campus, as well as communicate and cooperate with other campus and University offices and committees to establish and work toward these objectives, as well as with non-University community groups.

This range of responsibilities, and the need to work with various other offices on campus charged with similar missions, requires the EQ committee to sustain multiple projects concurrently. With its current composition, the EQ committee cannot fully address each of the possible projects or resolutions, nor follow up with effective programs or conduct outreach into diverse units and communities as needed. Increasing the membership size of the EQ committee would allow the committee to better address its workload, and would also make the committee more welcoming to visitors who come to share their concerns, as an increased membership would hopefully reflect a broader range of dimensions of diversity. Additionally, the Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommended, and EQ has approved, the addition of an *ex officio* designee of the Chancellor, to help coordinate with various campus-wide and administrative diversity efforts.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*, Part D.10. Text to be added is underscored and text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~.

**PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE BYLAWS, PART D.10**

1 **Part D – Standing Committees**

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3 **10. Committee on Equal Opportunity and Inclusion**

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5 b. Membership

6 The Committee shall consist of:

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8 1. ~~Five~~ Seven faculty members,
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10 2. One academic professional member,
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12 3. ~~Two~~ Three students,
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14 4. One designee of the Chancellor (*ex officio*), and
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16 5. Up to three ~~ex-officio~~ non-voting members, recommended by the voting members and
- 17 approved by the Senate, representing underrepresented, historically disadvantaged, or
- 18 marginalized groups.
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SP.18.03 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.7 – Conference on Conduct Governance

**BACKGROUND**

The current description of Conference on Conduct Governance refers to the Office of Campus Regulations and the role it played in the actions of the Conference. This Office no longer exists. The Office of the Dean of Students has assumed the duties formerly provided by the Office of Campus Regulations. The proposed revision in the *Bylaws* reflects this change. No change is proposed for section 7.d listing membership of the Conference.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*. Text to be added is underscored and text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~:

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2 **PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE BYLAWS, PART D.7**

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4 **7. Conference on Conduct Governance**

5 a. Duties

6 Legislative Function of the Conference

7 The Conference is a Senate Committee which, in conjunction with the Chancellor, and  
8 with the assistance of the Office of ~~Campus Regulations~~ the Dean of Students, shall have  
9 the following legislative functions:

- 10 1. Review and transmit in writing to the Chancellor its approval, disapproval, or  
11 modification of standards of conduct (hereafter called "rules") initiated by  
12 subcommunities of the campus;  
13 2. Initiate and recommend in writing to the Chancellor adoption of additional rules it  
14 deems desirable;  
15 3. File with the Office of ~~Campus Regulations~~ the Dean of Students and with the  
16 Clerk of the Senate a notice of such transmittals and recommendations including  
17 the text of the rules; and  
18 4. Periodically review the conduct governance system and make general  
19 recommendations to the Chancellor and the Senate regarding revision of the  
20 system. To this end, it may request reports from members of the system.

21 b. Authority and Jurisdiction

- 22 1. Rules filed with the Office of ~~Campus Regulations~~ the Dean of Students and with  
23 the Clerk of the Senate shall become effective thirty (30) days after filing unless  
24 contrary action has been taken by the Chancellor. The Senate may submit its  
25 recommendations to the Chancellor with respect to proposed rule changes. To this  
26 end, the thirty (30) day period may be extended by the Senate or Senate Executive  
27 Committee to ninety (90) days, excluding the period May 16 through August 15.  
28 2. The jurisdiction of the Conference shall not extend to (1) rules governing conduct  
29 arising within the duties and obligations imposed by the contract of employment

30 and within the scope of the particular duties and responsibilities of the person  
31 employed; (2) those rules which are adopted or imposed in the course of the  
32 purchase of goods or services; or (3) rules on purely academic matters, including  
33 requirements for degrees and standards of academic performance, except that the  
34 Conference shall have jurisdiction over academic irregularities such as cheating,  
35 plagiarism, falsification of records, or destruction of teaching, research, or library  
36 books, documents, or files.

37 c. ~~An~~ ~~The Office of Campus Regulations~~ the Dean of Students shall ~~be constituted~~ function  
38 as a staff agency for the Conference. Two functions of the Office shall be:

- 39 1. Serve as a registry for rules adopted or approved by the Conference and accepted  
40 by the Chancellor; and
- 41 2. Publish annually (by August 1 of each year) in a convenient form all rules  
42 adopted by the Conference and accepted by the Chancellor which are applicable  
43 to the entire community, or to some subcommunity thereof, and cause  
44 amendments to the rules as they are from time to time adopted to be published  
45 and disseminated to the University community.

46 All rules, both those adopted by particular University authorities and those adopted by the  
47 Conference on its own initiative, shall be promulgated by the Office of ~~Campus~~  
48 ~~Regulations~~ the Dean of Students by special publications, regularly issued newsletters or  
49 bulletins, and periodic codification. The Office shall maintain an up-to-date file of rules  
50 in force which may be consulted by any interested person. It shall serve as clerk to the  
51 Conference for recording and promulgating its actions, for keeping a record of its  
52 meetings, and for any other purpose the Conference determines.

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54 The staff of the Office shall be under the supervision of one or more of the vice  
55 chancellors who will consult with the Chair of the Conference regarding staff functions  
56 and appointments.

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SP.18.06 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.14 – Committee on Information Technology

**BACKGROUND**

The Senate Committee on Information Technology (IT) discusses a variety of issues concerning information technology at the University including those around research computing, administrative computing, and instructional computing. There has been discussion by IT that it would be beneficial to have a representative from the Center for Innovation in Teaching & Learning (CITL) at the committee meetings for input, guidance, or comment. Of note, the executive officers of both Technology Services and Administrative Information Technology Services (AITS) already have *ex officio* roles on the committee. With CITL's central campus service role in online education as well as technology-enhanced instruction, there is a parallel to be drawn that would indicate their inclusion as well. For these reasons, IT believes it would be appropriate for the CITL Director to join the committee in a non-voting *ex officio* capacity.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*, Part D.14. Text to be added is underscored and text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~.

**PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE *BYLAWS*, PART D.14**

**Part D – Standing Committees**

**14. Committee on Information Technology**

b. Membership

The Committee shall consist of:

1. Eight faculty members, with no more than two coming from any single college,
2. One academic professional member,
3. Two student members,
4. The Campus Chief Information Officer (CIO) or the CIO's designee (*ex officio*), ~~and~~
5. The University Associate Vice President for Administrative Information Technology Services or designee (*ex officio*), and
6. The director of the Center for Innovation in Teaching & Learning (CITL) or the director's designee (*ex officio*).

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SP.18.11 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.11 – Senate Committee on Faculty and Academic Staff Benefits

**BACKGROUND**

The Senate Committee on Faculty and Academic Staff Benefits is established in the *Bylaws*, Part D.11. As written, the committee focuses on current and future concerns of the faculty regarding benefits. Given the committee’s name, it seems to have been an oversight that “academic staff” were not included in the description of duties. In addition, it seems prudent to include an *ex-officio* representative from the Council of Academic Professionals to assure sufficient representation from academic professionals.

In recent years, the committee membership has been heavily weighted towards emeritus faculty, rather than active tenure-track or non-tenure-track faculty. To retain the original focus on faculty and academic staff, limiting (but not omitting) the number of emeritus faculty is recommended to assure a full range of benefits are being discussed. The Senate Executive Committee has recommended that one of the faculty seats be designated for an emeritus faculty, which the language below specifies.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*, Part D.11. Text to be added is underscored and text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~.

**PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE BYLAWS, PART D.11**

1 **Part D – Standing Committees**  
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3 **11. Committee on Faculty and Academic Staff Benefits**  
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5 a. Duties

6 The Committee shall investigate and regularly report to the Senate on the adequacy and  
7 other attributes of the University’s provisions for salaries, retirement benefits, sabbatical  
8 leaves, hospitalization and medical insurance, life insurance, other insurance, investment  
9 and savings plans, travel reimbursement, housing benefits, educational benefits,  
10 recreational benefits, and other perquisites, benefits and conditions of faculty and academic  
11 staff employment.  
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13 b. Membership

14 The Committee shall consist of:  
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2. One emeritus or emerita faculty member,
  3. One academic professional member,
  4. The campus faculty representatives to the State Universities Retirement System Members Advisory Committee (*ex officio*),
  5. The Director of the Benefits Center or the Director's designee (*ex officio*),
  6. The Executive Director of the State Universities Retirement System or the Director's designee (*ex officio*),
  7. The Provost or the Provost's designee (*ex officio*),
  8. The Director of the Faculty Staff Assistance Services or the Director's designee (*ex officio*),
  9. The Associate Vice President for Human Resources or the Associate Vice President's designee (*ex officio*), ~~and~~
  10. The President of the UIUC Chapter of the State Universities Annuitants Association or that President's designee (*ex officio*), and
  11. The Chair of the Council of Academic Professionals or the Chair's designee (*ex officio*).

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