Board Meeting

 July 17, 2025

# CHANGES IN SENATE BYLAWS(Report for Information)

 The University of Illinois *Statutes* provides that changes in Senate bylaws are reported to the Board of Trustees. The proposed changes to the University of Illinois Springfield Campus Senate are attached. The proposed revisions to the UIS Campus Senate Bylaws (RESOLUTIONS 54-23 AND 54-30) are in regards to removal of the Committee on Sustainability as a Senate committee and to clarifying procedures for future amendments to the Senate Bylaws.

The University Senates Conference has indicated that no further Senate jurisdiction is involved.

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Springfield, 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.

Approved

Campus Senate Meeting

March 21, 2025

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SPRINGFIELD

CAMPUS SENATE AY 2024/2025

RESOLUTION 54-23

**Amend Senate Bylaws Reflecting Removal of the Committee on Sustainability**

**WHEREAS,** sustainability is an important issue that should be considered in all areas of the university’s mission and core functions;

**WHEREAS,** a new structural position as a university-level committee under the UIS Division of Finance and Administration will allow the Committee on Sustainability to more effectively incorporate sustainability into all aspects of the university’s mission and core functions;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Campus Senate of the University of Illinois Springfield approves the amendment to the Senate Bylaws reflecting the removal of the Committee on Sustainability effective as soon as a University Committee on Sustainability under the Division of Finance and Administration is convened; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Campus Senate of the University of Illinois Springfield expects that this committee will continue functioning as a University Committee on Sustainability under the Division of Finance and Administration starting on or before May 15, 2025; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Campus Senate Committee on Sustainability will not be removed and will continue to function according to the Senate Bylaws if a University Committee on Sustainability under the Division of Finance and Administration is not convened on or before May 15, 2025; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Campus Senate of the University of Illinois Springfield recommends that the University Committee on Sustainability under the Division of Finance and Administration adopt the Charge Statement and guidelines for committee composition proposed by the current members of the Campus Senate Committee on Sustainability on November 4, 2024.

Deletions are ~~strikethrough~~

Additions are ***bolded, underlined and italicized***

Approved

Campus Senate Meeting

March 21, 2025

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SPRINGFIELD

CAMPUS SENATE AY 2024/2025

RESOLUTION 54-30

**Amend Senate Bylaws to Clarify Procedures for Amendments to the Bylaws**

**WHEREAS,** some provisions of the UIS Campus Senate Bylaws are inefficient or of indeterminate purpose;

**WHEREAS,** this has ledto confusion and inconsistent practice regarding amendment of the Bylaws;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the University of Illinois Springfield Campus Senate approves the following amendment to Campus Senate Bylaws:

**ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS**

1. **Definition of Bylaws**

Senate Bylaws are defined as policies and procedures that are of such importance that special procedures are provided to ~~insure~~ ***ensure*** that careful thought and full discussion precede any changes.

1. **Time and Method of Presentation**

Any proposed amendment to these bylaws must be presented in writing to the Senate at least two weeks prior to any ~~discussion and/or~~ action by this organization.

1. **Vote Required**

Amendments to these bylaws will require an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the members of the Campus Senate present and voting.