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COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY STATUTES AND SENATE PROCEDURES
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SP.20.06 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.1 – Senate Executive Committee

BACKGROUND

Responding to the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), Senate Executive Committee (SEC) examined its charge and composition as provided in the *Bylaws*, Part D.1. In addition, the Review Commission asked SEC to “determine additional eligibility criteria and duties for the positions of the SEC Chair and Vice-Chair” (XSR.19.01, Recommendation #5). The proposed revisions thus address issues of SEC membership, the duties and eligibility of the SEC Chair and Vice-Chair, and vacancies in the Chair and Vice-Chair positions.

Currently, the responsibilities of the SEC Chair and Vice-Chair are briefly identified in the *Bylaws*, D.1.d. This proposal strikes that provision and proposes a new section, D.1.b, which better itemizes the specific duties of the Chair and Vice-Chair, including the Chair’s responsibility to liaise with administrative offices and work with the various bodies of the Senate, as well as specifying the Vice-Chair’s role in coordinating committee annual reports.

At its July 13, 2020 meeting, the Senate considered a version of this proposal that would have restricted the eligibility for the SEC Chair to faculty or academic professional senators who have served at least one year on the SEC (at any time). That proposal also would have restricted eligibility for the Vice-Chair position to senators (of any type) who have served at least one year as a senator or on a Senate committee at any time. These restrictions, proposed by SEC, attempted to ensure that those elected Chair or Vice-Chair bring experience with the Senate and its work, while also not being overly restrictive.

At the July 13 meeting, the Senate voted to amend the proposal to make the restrictions on the Vice-Chair match those proposed for the Chair position. The Senate also voted to return the proposal to SP for revision, including removing language regarding various types of vacancies in these positions that would no longer be necessary.

This proposed set of changes still includes clarifying language regarding the Council of Academic Professionals and specifies a non-voting *ex officio* position for the Chancellor or the Chancellor’s designee.

RECOMMENDATION

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

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REVISION TO THE *BYLAWS*, PART D.1 – Senate Executive Committee

1 a. Duties of the Committee

2 The Senate Executive Committee shall:

- 3 1. Initiate and guide the work of the Senate;
- 4 2. Coordinate the activities of ~~the~~ Senate committees, evaluate the functions of
5 those committees, and conduct an annual review of the current status of *ad hoc*
6 committees of the Senate, recommending appropriate action to the Senate;
- 7 3. Prepare the agenda for Senate meetings;
- 8 4. Inform the Senate concerning the charge and composition of each committee
9 created by the campus or University administration;
- 10 5. Propose to the Senate a date and agenda for the annual meeting of the faculty;
- 11 6. Report to the faculty at the annual meeting;
- 12 7. Schedule and supervise the organizing of the Senate in accordance with Part A of
13 these *Bylaws*;
- 14 8. Nominate members of the Committee on Committees;
- 15 9. Provide advice annually to the Chancellor on the appointment or reappointment
16 of the vice chancellors as required by the *Statutes*, Article III, paragraph 1g;
- 17 10. Provide advice annually to the President on the reappointment of the Chancellor
18 as required by the *Statutes*, Article I, section 5;
- 19 11. Review Campus Budget Oversight Committee (CBOC), Research Board, and
20 Research Policy Committee nominees; and
- 21 12. Perform ~~such~~ other duties as the *Statutes* or Senate shall specify.

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23 b. Duties of the Chair and Vice-Chair

24 The Senate Executive Committee Chair shall:

- 25 1. Establish and maintain liaison with the Chancellor, the Provost, relevant
26 administrative offices, and, where appropriate, the President of the University
27 and the Board of Trustees on matters of concern to the Senate;
28 2. Establish and maintain liaison with the Office of Public Affairs and, where
29 appropriate, with the press and the public;
30 3. Establish and maintain relationships with the chair of each Senate committee,
31 and regularly advise and support Senate committee chairs;
32 4. Initiate reviews of standing Senate committees on a five-year rotation; and
33 5. Perform other duties as the Senate or Senate Executive Committee shall specify.

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35 The Senate Executive Committee Vice-Chair shall:

- 36 6. Ensure that Senate committees submit and share annual reports with the Senate;
37 and
38 7. Perform other duties as the Senate Executive Committee or Senate Executive
39 Committee Chair shall specify.

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41 bc. Membership

- 42 1. The Senate Executive Committee shall ~~be composed of 16 members consisting of~~
43 consist of:
44 a. a Chair and a Vice-Chair, elected by ~~ballot by and from among the membership~~
45 ~~of the Senate, and~~ who shall be the presiding officers of the Senate Executive
46 Committee,
47 b. the Chair of the Committee on Committees,
48 c. the Chair of the Committee on Educational Policy ~~Committee,~~
49 d. the Chair of the Committee on General University Policy ~~Committee,~~
50 e. the Chair of the Committee on Information Technology ~~Committee,~~
51 f. the Chair of the Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures
52 ~~Committee,~~

- 53 g. three members elected by the Senate from a slate consisting of all remaining
54 committee chairs willing to serve, with a runoff among the five candidates
55 receiving the most votes (if there are more than five candidates), and additional
56 candidates if tied for fifth place,
- 57 h. three students members, including at least one undergraduate and at least one
58 graduate or professional student, all of whom shall be elected by and from
59 ~~among~~ the student senators,
- 60 i. one of the Senate's representatives to the University Senates Conference,
61 elected by the Senate at its organizational meeting; ~~N~~nominees shall be those
62 members of the Committee on University Senates Conference who consent to
63 serve if elected; ~~A~~ a majority of votes shall be required to elect on the first
64 ballot, a runoff election shall be held between the two nominees who received
65 the highest number of votes, ~~and~~ including all of those tied with the highest or
66 second highest number of votes; ~~A~~ a plurality of the votes cast shall be required
67 to elect on the second ballot,
- 68 j. the campus faculty member of the Faculty Advisory Council to the Board of
69 Higher Education *ex officio* with vote, ~~and~~
- 70 k. the Chair of the Council of Academic Professionals, ~~committee~~ which performs
71 the statutory function of the Professional Advisory Committee, ~~or~~ the Chair's
72 designee, *ex officio* with vote, ~~and~~
- 73 l. the Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee (ex officio).

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75 2. In the event of a vacancy in the Chair position, the Vice-Chair ~~will~~ shall immediately
76 succeed to the position of Chair. In the event of a vacancy in the Vice-Chair
77 position, an election by the Senate of a Vice-Chair ~~will~~ shall be conducted at the
78 next meeting of the Senate in accordance with the provisions of Part A, Section 5
79 (d). From the time the Vice-Chair position becomes vacant and until a Vice-Chair
80 has been elected and certified, ~~that~~ the sitting member of the Senate Executive
81 Committee with longest university service ~~will~~ shall serve as interim Vice-Chair.

82 Any other vacancy on the Senate Executive Committee shall be filled by the same
83 procedure ~~utilized in~~ used to selecting the vacating a member for the position.

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85 23. No person shall hold more than one seat on the Senate Executive Committee
86 concurrently. In the event that a person qualifies for more than one seat
87 concurrently, the list below shall be followed sequentially to select a replacement
88 for each seat but the one retained.

89 a. If the Senate Executive Committee Chair or Vice-Chair qualifies for more than
90 one seat, that person must retain their seat as the Senate Executive
91 Committee Chair or Vice-Chair. The concurrent seat shall be filled by an
92 elected member of that body, nominated by the Committee on Committees,
93 and elected by the Senate.

94 b. If the campus faculty member of the Faculty Advisory Council to the Board of
95 Higher Education qualifies for more than one seat, that person must retain
96 their seat as the campus faculty member of the Faculty Advisory Council to
97 the Board of Higher Education. The concurrent seat shall be filled by an
98 elected member of that body, nominated by the Committee on Committees,
99 and elected by the Senate.

100 c. If a committee chair or the Senate's representative to the University Senates
101 Conference qualifies for more than one seat, that person shall select which
102 seat ~~shall be~~ to retained. The concurrent seat shall be filled by an elected
103 member or representative of that committee or body, nominated by the
104 Committee on Committees, and elected by the Senate.

105 All replacements shall be full members of the Senate Executive Committee in their
106 own right. Replacement representatives to the Senate Executive Committee under
107 this provision shall remain seated until the end of the academic year.

108 ed. The officers and members of the Senate Executive Committee shall be elected for
109 terms of one year. The Chair shall be released from other academic duties for one-
110 half time, with this appointment funded from campus resources.

- 111 ~~d. The Chair of the Senate Executive Committee, or the Vice Chair at the request of the~~
112 ~~Chair, or an Executive Committee member designated by the Chair with the advice of~~
113 ~~the Executive Committee, shall establish and maintain liaison with the offices of the~~
114 ~~President of the University and the Board of Trustees on matters of major concern to~~
115 ~~the Senate.~~
- 116 e. During the summer months, the Senate Executive Committee is authorized to act for
117 and on behalf of the Senate on urgent matters that require immediate attention,
118 with the stipulation that, before taking any such action, the Senate Executive
119 Committee shall seek the advice of those senators present on campus. Any such
120 emergency action taken by the Senate Executive Committee shall be reported to the
121 Senate at the first regular meeting of the Senate following such emergency action.

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SP.20.15 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.4 – Committee on the Budget

BACKGROUND

Responding to the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), the Senate Committee on the Budget (BG) examined its charge and composition as provided in the *Bylaws*, Part D.4.

BG transmitted a set of proposed changes to the Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures (SP) in October 2019. These were refined and strengthened by BG and SP, which after some delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic, were approved by BG in October 2020.

The proposed revisions better specify the committee’s charge to advise work on behalf of the Senate to gather information and make reports and recommendations to the Senate as appropriate. These also align the committee’s work with the new campus budget model and allow the committee to respond to the broader context of the University of Illinois System, instead of only the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends the approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*. Text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~ and text to be added is underlined. Adoption of amendments to the *Bylaws* requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

REVISION TO THE BYLAWS, PART D.4 – Committee on the Budget

- 1 a. Duties
- 2 The Committee shall:
- 3 ~~Study general trends in the budgets of the State and nation which may affect the~~
- 4 ~~University, the budgets of the University and the Urbana-Champaign campus, the~~
- 5 ~~allocation of resources among the different units of the Urbana-Champaign campus, the~~
- 6 ~~criteria followed in determining budgetary needs and in allocating existing and~~
- 7 ~~requested new resources, and the general implications of budget decisions for~~
- 8 ~~educational policy and the quality of academic and related programs in the University. It~~

9 shall regularly advise members of the campus administration on the formulation of
10 policies affecting the budget and on the allocation of funds requested by and
11 appropriated to the University and the Urbana-Champaign campus. It shall duly report
12 on these matters and on its relations with the University and campus administrations,
13 and make recommendations to the Senate.

14 1. On behalf of the Senate, consult and advise the campus administration and members
15 of the campus community on formulation of policies affecting the budget and on
16 allocation of funds requested by and appropriated to the University of Illinois System
17 and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign;

18 2. Periodically collect information and data on matters related to the budget, which
19 may include surveys;

20 3. Monitor trends in government budgets that may affect the University of Illinois
21 System and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign;

22 4. Monitor the allocation of campus resources among different units of the campus, the
23 processes and criteria followed in determining budgetary needs and in allocating
24 existing and requested new resources, and the implications of budget decisions for
25 educational policy and quality of academic and related programs in the University; and

26 5. Regularly report on these matters and the committee's relations with the University
27 and campus administrators, making recommendations to the Senate as appropriate.

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SP.20.17 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part A – Meetings (Presiding at Senate Meetings)

BACKGROUND

The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) requested that the Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures (SP) discuss the most appropriate person to preside over Senate meetings based on Recommendation #3 of the Eighth Senate Review Commission Report (XSR.19.01).

The Senate Committee on General University Policy (GP) discussed the most appropriate person to preside over Senate meetings. GP recommended the Chair of the Senate Executive Committee or the Chair's designee serve as the presiding officer for the business portion of the Senate meeting. This would more easily allow the Chancellor to be a participant in debates.

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends that the Senate approve the following amendment to the *Bylaws*, Part A. Text to be added is underscored and text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~.

PROPOSED REVISION TO THE *BYLAWS*, PART A – Meetings

- 1 1. The Chair of the Senate Executive Committee or the Chair's designee shall preside at Senate
- 2 meetings. The Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee shall be invited to ~~preside at Senate~~
- 3 ~~meetings~~ give remarks and respond to questions from senators, unless the Senate Executive
- 4 Committee has provided otherwise.
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- 6 6.g. ~~The organizational meeting shall be supervised by the Senate Executive Committee, and~~
- 7 ~~‡~~The incumbent Chair of the Senate Executive Committee or the Chair's designee shall preside.
- 8 The Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee shall be invited to ~~preside~~ give remarks, unless the
- 9 Senate Executive Committee has provided otherwise.

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SP.20.18 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.7 – Conference on Conduct Governance

BACKGROUND

Responding to the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), the Conference on Conduct Governance (CG) examined its charge and composition as provided by the *Bylaws*, Part D.7.

The proposed revisions, put forward by CG, would better align the *Bylaws* with the committee's current practices when reviewing the Student Code and the conduct governance system, making recommendation as appropriate. In addition, the revisions better specify the committee's authority and specify an *ex officio* role for the Dean of Students.

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends the approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*. Text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~ and text to be added is underlined. Adoption of amendments to the *Bylaws* requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

REVISION TO THE BYLAWS, PART D.7 – Conference on Conduct Governance

1 a. Duties

2 ~~Legislative Function of the Conference~~

3 The Conference is a Senate Committee ~~which~~, that shall make recommendations

4 regarding policies on student affairs (Statutes, Article XI, Section 1.a). ~~in~~ In conjunction

5 with the Chancellor, and with the assistance of the Office of the Dean of Students, the

6 Conference shall have the following legislative functions:

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8 ~~1. Review and transmit in writing to the Chancellor its approval, disapproval, or~~

9 ~~modification of standards of conduct (hereafter called "rules") initiated by~~

10 ~~subcommunities of the campus;~~

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12 ~~2. Initiate and recommend in writing to the Chancellor adoption of additional rules~~
13 ~~it deems desirable;~~

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15 ~~3. File with the Office of the Dean of Students and with the Clerk of the Senate a~~
16 ~~notice of such transmittals and recommendations including the text of the rules;~~
17 ~~and~~

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19 ~~4. Periodically review the conduct governance system and make general~~
20 ~~recommendations to the Chancellor and the Senate regarding revisions of the~~
21 ~~system. To this end, it may request reports from members of the system.~~

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23 1. Periodically review the conduct governance system and the rules governing
24 student conduct that are published in the Student Code, hereafter called “rules,”
25 and make general recommendations to the Chancellor and the Senate regarding
26 revisions, requesting reports from members of the conduct governance system
27 as needed;

28 2. Initiate and recommend in writing to the Chancellor adoption of additional rules
29 it deems desirable;

30 3. Review and transmit in writing to the Chancellor its approval, disapproval, or
31 modification of the Student Code initiated by interested parties of the campus;
32 and

33 4. File with the Office of the Dean of Students and with the Clerk of the Senate a
34 notice of such transmittals and recommendations, including the text of the
35 Student Code.

36 b. Authority and Jurisdiction

37 1. Rules filed with the Office of the Dean of Students and with the Clerk of the Senate
38 shall become effective thirty (30) days after filing, unless contrary action has been
39 taken by the Chancellor. The Senate may submit its recommendations to the
40 Chancellor with respect to proposed rule changes. To this end, the thirty (30) day

41 period may be extended by the Senate or Senate Executive Committee to ninety (90)
42 days, excluding the period May 16 through August 15.

43 2. The jurisdiction of the Conference shall not extend to:
44 ~~(1a)~~ rules governing conduct arising within the duties and obligations imposed by
45 the contract of employment and within the scope of the particular duties and
46 responsibilities of the person employed;

47 ~~(2b)~~ those rules which are adopted or imposed in the course of the purchase of
48 goods or services; or

49 ~~(3c)~~ rules on purely academic matters, including requirements for degrees and
50 standards of academic performance, except that the Conference shall have
51 jurisdiction over academic irregularities such as cheating, plagiarism, falsification of
52 records, or destruction of ~~teaching, research, or library books, documents, or files~~
53 educational materials or resources.

54 c. The Office of the Dean of Students shall function as the staff agency for the Conference.
55 Two functions of the Office shall be:

56 1. Serve as a registry for rules adopted or approved by the Conference and accepted by
57 the Chancellor; and

58 2. Publish annually (by August 1 of each year) in a convenient form all rules adopted by
59 the Conference and accepted by the Chancellor ~~which that~~ are applicable to the
60 entire community, or to some ~~subcommunity~~ subset thereof, and cause
61 amendments to the rules as ~~they are from time to time~~ adopted to be published and
62 disseminated to the University community.

63 All rules, both those adopted by particular University authorities and those adopted by
64 the Conference on its own initiative, shall be promulgated by the Office of the Dean of
65 Students by special publications, regularly issued newsletters or bulletins, and periodic
66 codification. The Office shall maintain an up-to-date file of rules in force ~~which that~~ may
67 be consulted by any interested person. It shall serve as clerk to the Conference for
68 recording and promulgating its actions, for keeping a record of its meetings, and for any
69 other purpose the Conference determines.

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

73 d. Membership

74 The Conference shall consist of:

- 75 1. Six ~~members of the faculty~~ members ~~electorate~~, of whom there shall be at least
76 one from each professorial rank and of whom one shall be designated chair by
77 the Senate;
- 78 2. Seven ~~members of the student~~ members ~~electorate~~, of whom four shall be
79 undergraduates, two graduate students, and one student of a professional
80 college;
- 81 3. Four ~~members from among the~~ campus ~~administrative officers of the campus~~
82 chosen with due regard for appropriate areas of concern and in consultation with
83 the Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee;
- 84 4. A One member of the Council of Undergraduate Deans (*ex officio*), selected by
85 ~~that committee~~ the Council; ~~and~~
- 86 5. One designee of the ~~a~~ Graduate College ~~designee~~ (*ex officio*), ~~selected by the~~
87 Graduate College; ~~and~~
- 88 6. The Dean of Students or the Dean's designee (*ex officio*).

89 ~~In making its nominations for the Conference, the Committee on Committees shall~~
90 ~~consider the expressed needs of organized racial and ethnic minorities. The terms of~~
91 ~~membership shall be two years.~~

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SP.20.20 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.17 – Committee on Student Discipline

BACKGROUND

Responding to the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), the Committee on Student Discipline (SD) examined its charge and composition as provided by the *Bylaws*, Part D.17.

The proposed revisions elaborate the committee's functions, which had previously not been specified in the *Bylaws*. In addition, the revisions specify membership requirements for the committee beyond those for typical Senate committee membership, including training that is specific to this committee.

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends the approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*. Text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~ and text to be added is underlined. Adoption of amendments to the *Bylaws* requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

REVISION TO THE BYLAWS, PART D.12 – Committee on Student Discipline

- 1 a. Duties
- 2 The Committee shall be responsible for the conduct of the judicial functions of the
- 3 student conduct governance system in accord with the *Statutes* and with rules and
- 4 policies established by the Board of Trustees and the Senate. Specifically, the
- 5 Committee shall:
- 6 1. Appoint the members of the subcommittees on student conduct;
- 7 2. Establish, maintain, and revise (as necessary) the Student Disciplinary
- 8 Procedures, which specify the process by which university disciplinary officers
- 9 and the subcommittees on student conduct address alleged violations of the
- 10 Student Code;
- 11 3. Hear appeals of subcommittee on student conduct decisions; and

12 4. Hear recommendations for suspension or dismissal arising from an academic
13 integrity infraction.

14 b. Membership

15 The Committee shall consist of:

- 16 1. Nine faculty members,
- 17 2. Six students members, and
- 18 3. The Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs or the Vice Chancellor's designee (*ex*
19 *officio*).

20 c. Membership Requirements

21 In addition to complying with the attendance requirements applicable to all Senate
22 committee members, all members of the Committee shall:

- 23 1. Complete the appeal committee training, held during the Committee's first
24 business meeting, and all other necessary trainings, including the sexual
25 misconduct committee training; and
- 26 2. Comply with the code of ethical standards established by the Director of the
27 Office for Student Conflict Resolution, in consultation with the Chair of the
28 Committee. At a minimum, the code of ethical standards must include
29 expectations of confidentiality and of adherence to the Student Code and the
30 Student Disciplinary Procedures.

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SP.20.22 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.14 – Committee on Information Technology

BACKGROUND

Responding to the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), the Senate Committee on Information Technology (IT) examined its charge and composition as provided by the *Bylaws*, Part D.14.

Based on the Commission’s input and IT’s discussions, the committee believes it would be appropriate to include a representative from the Director of the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA), as well as a representative of the Dean of Libraries.

NCSA has played a global role in research computing, and it has always played a role at the University in helping researchers with matters such as high performance computing, high throughput computing, and visualization. In the last several years, the University Library has substantially increased its support of research with services such as database consulting, data management planning, and digital humanities consulting.

In recent years, a representative from the Center for Innovation in Teaching & Learning was added and IT wishes to see research technology support represented with the addition of NCSA and the University Library representatives as *ex officio* members.

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REVISION TO THE *BYLAWS*, PART D.14 – Committee on Information Technology

- 1 a. Duties
- 2 The Committee shall:
- 3 1. Identify and consider problems, needs, and concerns pertaining to teaching,
- 4 research, engagement, and administrative support on campus IT issues and
- 5 recommend desirable changes in campus policy;
- 6 2. Examine trends in IT here and in higher education generally and recommend
- 7 appropriate changes in campus policy; and

8 3. Serve in a broad advisory capacity to the ~~Campus~~ University Chief Information
9 Officer and the University System Associate Vice President for Administrative
10 Information Technology Services;

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12 b. Membership

13 The Committee shall consist of:

14 1. Eight faculty members, with no more than two coming from any single college,

15 2. One academic professional member,

16 3. Two student members,

17 4. The ~~Campus~~ University Chief Information Officer (CIO) or the CIO's designee (*ex*
18 *officio*),

19 5. The University System Associate Vice President for Administrative Information
20 Technology Services (AITS) or the Associate Vice President's designee (*ex officio*),

21 ~~and~~

22 6. The ~~d~~Director of the Center for Innovation in Teaching & Learning (CITL) or the
23 ~~d~~Director's designee (*ex officio*),

24 7. The Director of the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA) or the
25 Director's designee (*ex officio*), and

26 8. The Dean of Libraries and University Librarian or the Dean's designee (*ex officio*).

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SP.20.24 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.15 – Committee on the Library

BACKGROUND

Responding to the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), the Senate Committee on the Library (LB) examined its charge and composition as provided by the *Bylaws*, Part D.15.

The proposed revision removes the limitation that three LB committee members be senators and the specification that committee members serve three-year terms. These current restrictions on the membership of the LB committee seem misaligned with the majority of the Senate’s standing committees, and Senate records do not indicate why this should be the case.

The proposed revisions regarding the annual and five-year review of the university librarian include language clarifying the two separate processes involved and bring the language of the *Bylaws* into alignment with *Statutes* (Article VI). The Office of the Provost was consulted regarding the revised language, because the dean (university librarian) review process is initiated by the Office of the Provost.

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REVISION TO THE *BYLAWS*, PART D.15 – Committee on the Library

1 a. Duties

2 The Committee shall:

- 3 1. The Committee shall advise the director of the campus library university
4 librarian on the apportionment of the Library budget and on the formulation and
5 execution of policies governing the operation of the Library, including its
6 branches;
- 7 2. The Committee shall provide advice annually, as requested, to advise the
8 Chancellor through the Office of the Provost on the appointment ~~and~~ or

9 ~~reappointment evaluation of the director of the campus Library~~ university
10 librarian (Statutes, Article VI);
11 3. ~~The Committee shall e~~Evaluate the performance of the university librarian at
12 least once every five years, as initiated by the Office of the Provost and in a
13 manner to be determined jointly by the committee and faculty of the library; as
14 part of the evaluation, views shall be solicited from the committee, other
15 concerned faculty, members of the university community, and the entire faculty
16 of the library (Statutes, Article VI); and
17 4. ~~The Committee shall a~~Advise the Senate about issues affecting the ability of the
18 Library to fulfill its mission.

19
20 b. Membership

21 The Committee shall consist of:

- 22 1. ~~Nine faculty members, at least three of whom are senators when elected to the~~
23 ~~committee,~~ with no more than two members from any one college, school,
24 institute, or similar unit. ~~Election shall be for staggered three-year terms.;~~
25 2. Four students members, two undergraduates and two graduate-; and
26 3. The ~~director of the campus library~~ university librarian or the ~~director's~~ university
27 librarian's designee (*ex officio*).

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SP.20.31 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.10 – Committee on Equal Opportunity and Inclusion

BACKGROUND

Responding to the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), the Committee on Equal Opportunity and Inclusion examined its charge and composition as provided by the *Bylaws*, Part D.11.

The proposed revisions would change the committee’s name and the descriptions of its duties to better align with terms now in common use on campus and within higher education: “diversity, equity, and inclusion.” In addition, these revisions better align the *Bylaws* with the committee’s practices, clarify some of its activities, and include as an *ex officio* member the new Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. The Vice Chancellor now coordinates offices such as the Office for Access & Equity, the Title IX Office, the Office for Academic Inclusive Excellence, and the Office for Business, Community & Economic Development.

On November 12, 2020, the Board of Trustees approved a global set of revisions (ST-77) to the *University Statutes*, which changed the language referring to each campus (now “University”) and the University of Illinois system as a whole (now “System”). This set of changes has led to some discrepancies in the Senate’s governing documents, including some in the current proposal, which will be addressed via a forthcoming proposal from the Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures.

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends the approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*. Text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~ and text to be added is underlined. Adoption of amendments to the *Bylaws* requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

REVISION TO THE *BYLAWS*, PART D.10 – Committee on Equal Opportunity and Inclusion

- 1 10. Committee on ~~Equal Opportunity~~ Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- 2 a. Duties
- 3 The Committee shall:

- 4 1. ~~Develop and support programs~~ Recommend and advocate for programs and
5 guidelines promoting an diverse, equitable, inclusive, and welcoming campus
6 environment for members of ~~any~~ underrepresented, historically disadvantaged, or
7 marginalized groups across all communities and activities both within and outside
8 the University.
- 9 2. Ensure accountability and transparency by:- ~~Programs and guidelines may be~~
10 ~~developed wherever an apparent need exists, including but not necessarily limited~~
11 ~~to the following areas:~~
- 12 a. monitoring progress on initiatives that were subjects of previous
13 recommendations and advocacy within and outside the Senate, and
14 b. consulting with representatives of groups who are the intended beneficiaries of
15 these programs and policies;
- 16 a. ~~Academic and civil service employment, teaching, research, and public service;~~
17 b. ~~Admission and financial aid policies and practices for undergraduate, graduate,~~
18 ~~and professional students, as well as educational policies, practices and~~
19 ~~programs;~~
- 20 c. ~~Community projects and studies which relate to equal opportunity for~~
21 ~~disadvantaged and minority groups at all levels (students, faculty, and staff) on~~
22 ~~the campus.~~
- 23 2.3. ~~Evaluate continually~~ Facilitate conversations Promote and encourage dialogue
24 regarding the equal opportunity posture of diversity, equity, and inclusion on the
25 campus and the University ~~as a whole~~ System with regard to enunciated principles
26 and actions taken.;
- 27 3.4. ~~Communicate and cooperate with other~~ campus and University offices and
28 committees established to work toward the objectives of this committee (~~e.g., the~~
29 ~~Office of Equal Opportunity and Access and the Chancellor's Committee on the~~
30 ~~Status of Women~~); ;
- 31 5. Communicate and cooperate ~~as well as~~ with local (non-University) community
32 groups concerned with diversity, equity, and inclusion ~~equal education and~~

33 ~~employment opportunity~~ and with ~~the access of~~ that historically disadvantaged
34 community ~~minority~~ groups have to University cultural and recreational facilities and
35 programs; and

36 ~~4. 6. Where appropriate, m~~ Make reports and recommendations, where appropriate, that
37 pertain to diversity, equity, and inclusion to the Senate and to other units and
38 officials of the University.

39 b. Membership

40 The Committee shall consist of:

- 41 1. Seven faculty members,
- 42 2. One academic professional member,
- 43 3. Three students members,
- 44 4. ~~One designee of the Chancellor~~ The Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity and
45 Inclusion or the Vice Chancellor's designee (ex officio), and
- 46 5. Up to three non-voting members, recommended by the voting members and
47 approved by the Senate, ~~representing from~~ representing from underrepresented, historically
48 disadvantaged, or marginalized groups.

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SP.21.01 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.1.c – Senate Executive Committee (Chair and Vice-Chair eligibility)

BACKGROUND

Responding to the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) examined its charge and composition as provided in the *Bylaws*, Part D.1 and considered the Review Commission’s recommendation that the SEC “determine additional eligibility criteria and duties for the positions of the SEC Chair and Vice-Chair” (XSR.19.01, Recommendation #5). The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures (SP) presented SEC’s proposed changes to the *Bylaws* in SP.20.06, which included potential changes to SEC membership, the duties and eligibility of the SEC Chair and Vice-Chair, and vacancies in the Chair and Vice-Chair positions.

SP.20.06 was introduced at the July 13, 2020 Senate meeting, and included a proposal that would have restricted the eligibility for the SEC Chair to faculty or academic professional senators who have served at least one year on the SEC (at any time). That proposal also would have restricted eligibility for the Vice-Chair position to senators (of any type) who have served at least one year as a senator or on a Senate committee at any time. At the July 13 meeting, the Senate voted to amend the proposal to make the restrictions on the Vice-Chair match those proposed for the Chair position. The Senate also voted to return the proposal to SP for revision, including removing language regarding various types of vacancies in these positions that would no longer be necessary.

At its September 21, 2020 meeting, the Senate approved an amendment to remove both the restriction that the SEC Chair and Vice-Chair be faculty or academic professionals and that they have served on the SEC for at least a year. With those provisions removed, the Senate approved SP.20.06 as amended. However, the revised language (in lines 44-46) of SP.20.06 also changed the phrasing that specified that the Chair and Vice-Chair be elected “by and from among the membership of the Senate” while rephrasing the other proposed restrictions. This specification was thus inadvertently struck when the amendment to SP.20.06 was approved, substantively changing the eligibility for these positions.

Because the Senate has approved SP.20.06, SP recommends that it reinstate the restriction that the Chair and Vice-Chair be elected “by and from the membership of the Senate.”

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends the approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*. Text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~ and text to be added is underlined. Adoption of amendments to the *Bylaws* requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

REVISION TO THE *BYLAWS*, PART D.1.C – Senate Executive Committee

- 1 c. Membership
- 2 1. The Senate Executive Committee shall consist of:
- 3 a. a Chair and a Vice-Chair, elected by and from the membership of the Senate,
- 4 who shall be the presiding officers of the Senate Executive Committee,

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SP.21.02 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part C – Elections

BACKGROUND

The Senate Committee on Elections and Credentials (EC) has proposed and the Senate has approved revisions to the *Election Rules for the Student Electorate*, Section 5 – Conducting Elections (EC.20.06 approved on 11/16/2020), which provide that the election of students to the Senate shall be completed no fewer than three weeks prior to the organizational meeting of the Senate, rather than prior to spring break. The adjusted timeline allows for greater engagement and recruitment of students to serve within the shared governance system.

This proposal resolves the conflict of language that was created in the *Bylaws* with the approval of EC.20.06. The current *Bylaws* state that student elections must be completed no later than the eighth week of classes in the spring semester, which is earlier than the approved language in EC.20.06. This proposal also provides specific details pertaining to the organization serving as the Elections and Credentials Committee for the students and separates it from the faculty Elections and Credentials Committee description.

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends the approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*. Text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~ and text to be added is underlined. Adoption of amendments to the *Bylaws* requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

REVISION TO THE BYLAWS, PART C – Elections

- 1 1. Timing of Elections and Election Rules
- 2 a. Elections of senators shall take place during the spring semester, ~~but~~ Election of faculty
- 3 senators shall take place not later than the eighth week of ~~classes~~ the spring semester.
- 4
- 5 b. The Senate may delegate to the organization that conducts elections on behalf of the
- 6 governing organizations of the student body and/or the academic professional staff the
- 7 authority to conduct Senate elections concurrently with other elections that it

8 administers, pursuant to rules established by the Senate Committee on Elections and
9 Credentials and subject to approval by the Senate.

- 10
11 c. The Committee on Elections and Credentials shall establish Election Rules and
12 Procedures, subject to approval by the Senate, by which all these elections shall be held.

13
14 2. Elections and Credentials Committee

- 15 a. ~~Faculty and Students~~: Each college or other similar educational division shall assist the
16 Senate Committee on Elections and Credentials in the conduct of nominations and
17 elections of faculty senators in that college or division.

- 18
19 b. Academic Professionals ~~Staff~~: The Council of Academic Professionals shall be the
20 elections and credentials committee for the academic professional electorate described
21 in the *Constitution*, Article III, Section 1.

- 22
23 c. Students: If the Senate has authorized the Campus Student Elections Commission to
24 conduct student Senate elections, the Campus Student Elections Commission shall be
25 the elections and credentials committee for the student electorate described in the
26 *Constitution*, Article IV, Section 1. If the Senate does not authorize the Campus Student
27 Elections Commission to conduct student Senate elections, each college or other similar
28 educational division shall conduct the student elections.

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SP.21.03 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.20 – Committee on University Student Life

BACKGROUND

Responding to the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), the Senate Committee on University Student Life (SL) examined its charge and composition as provided in the *Bylaws*, Part D.20 and recommends the following revisions.

The proposed changes would specify a seat on SL for an international student and identify *ex officio* seats for the Dean of the Graduate College, the Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and the Director of International Student and Scholar Services.

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends the approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*. Text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~ and text to be added is underlined. Adoption of amendments to the *Bylaws* requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

REVISION TO THE BYLAWS, PART D.20 – Committee on University Student Life

1 a. Duties

2 The Committee shall:

- 3 1. Identify and consider the problems, needs, and concerns of students ~~as~~
4 ~~related to the academic environment~~, and recommend desirable changes in
5 campus policy;
- 6 2. Examine short- and long-term trends in student life here and in higher
7 education generally, and recommend changes in campus policy to adjust
8 appropriately to those trends;
- 9 3. Serve in a broad advisory capacity to the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

10 b. Membership

11 The Committee shall consist of:

- 12 1. Four faculty members, ~~one~~ of whom one shall be ~~designated~~ elected as Chair
13 by the Senate;

- 14 2. One academic professional member;^z
- 15 3. Five student members, who shall elect one of their number to serve as Vice
- 16 Chair; one student member shall be an international student, who shall be
- 17 nominated by the office of International Student and Scholar Services to the
- 18 Committee on Committees;^z
- 19 4. Depending on the structure of the student government, the elected head of
- 20 the student body or designee, or the elected head of the undergraduate
- 21 student body and the elected head of the graduate student body or
- 22 designees (*ex officio*);^z
- 23 5. The Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs or the Vice Chancellor's designee (*ex*
- 24 *officio*);^z
- 25 6. The Dean of Students or the Dean's designee (*ex officio*), ~~and~~;^z
- 26 7. A member of the Council of Undergraduate Deans (*ex officio*), selected by
- 27 that committee, ~~and~~;^z
- 28 8. The Provost or the Provost's designee (*ex officio*);^z
- 29 9. The Dean of the Graduate College or the Dean's designee (*ex officio*);
- 30 10. The Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion or the Vice
- 31 Chancellor's designee (*ex officio*);
- 32 11. The Director of International Student and Scholar Services or the Director's
- 33 designee (*ex officio*); and
- 34 12. Such other *ex officio* members from among the administrative officers of the
- 35 campus as the voting members shall recommend and the Senate shall
- 36 approve.
- 37

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SP.21.07 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part D.12 – Committee on General University Policy

BACKGROUND

The Senate Committee on General University Policy (GP) recommends a revision to its duties to codify GP's role of providing feedback on substantive revisions to the Provost's Communications.

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends the approval of the following revisions to the *Bylaws*. Text to be deleted is ~~struck through~~ and text to be added is underlined. Adoption of amendments to the *Bylaws* requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

REVISION TO THE BYLAWS, PART D.12 – Committee on General University Policy

- 1 a. Duties
- 2 The Committee shall:
- 3 1. After such consultation with other committees as it deems appropriate,
- 4 study, report, and make recommendations to the Senate concerning general
- 5 university policy governing such matters as:
- 6 a. size and composition of the student body;
- 7 b. policies relevant to faculty concerns in consultation with the Office of the
- 8 Provost;
- 9 c. budget trends ~~as~~ related to the quality of the university and its capability
- 10 to satisfy public demands;
- 11 d. educational policy related to creation, combination, changes in affiliation
- 12 or abolition of departments, centers, divisions, institutes, colleges,
- 13 campuses and similar educational, research and public-service units;
- 14 e. allocation of resources among such units and methods employed by
- 15 administrative officials in making such allocations; and

- 16 f. formulation of policy in anticipation of major societal changes.
- 17 2. Provide input on substantive revisions to the Provost's Communications,
- 18 while consulting with other Senate committees and recommending wider
- 19 Senate input where appropriate; and
- 20 23. Monitor the following specific topics:
- 21 a. data on background check to identify any consequences of the
- 22 background check process, and
- 23 b. number of non-tenure_system faculty and proportion of non-tenure-
- 24 system faculty multi-year contracts as described in the *Statutes*, Article X,
- 25 Section 1.

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SP.21.08 Revision to the *Bylaws*, Part F.3 – Military Education Council

BACKGROUND

This amendment would allow greater flexibility to fill the membership of the Military Education Council (MEC), because it has been difficult in recent years to fill vacancies in a timely manner. The members of the MEC believe that while it is important to maintain a connection to the Senate with a minimum of one Senate member, the work performed by the MEC does not require Senate membership in order to be completed effectively.

RECOMMENDATION

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REVISION TO THE *BYLAWS*, PART F.3 – Military Education Council

- 1 **3. Military Education Council.** The Military Education Council is a campus body charged with
- 2 reviewing staff appointments in military departments; reviewing and supervising the military
- 3 education curricula; administering related budget, space, interdepartmental liaison and
- 4 contract negotiations; and ensuring academic freedom within military departments. The
- 5 Council is composed of a chair and one non-voting member appointed by the Chancellor; six
- 6 civilian faculty members elected by the Senate; one undergraduate and one graduate or
- 7 professional student, both elected by the Senate; the three military department heads *ex officio*
- 8 with vote; and one student appointed by the Armed Forces Council. Terms of elected faculty
- 9 and student members start August 16. The six civilian faculty members are elected for two-year
- 10 terms, three of them being elected each year. ~~Three~~ At least one of them must be a senator,
- 11 ~~and three need not be~~. The student members chosen by the Senate are elected for one-year
- 12 terms and need not be senators.

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