Faculty Constitution

Requested amendments and motions submitted to the Faculty Office

I. Amend language to indicate when new Constitution should go into effect

II. Remove comma ("electronic, ballot") in Attachment B Item E

III. Adopt attachments as internal Senate procedures

Motion to
- Strike Attachments A & B
- Adopt Attachments A & B as Senate procedures to be posted on the Senate website
- Article II, Section 3, Part A, Element 2, Item a.
  Change “(given in Attachment A of this document)” to “(posted on the Senate website)"
- Article II, Section 3, Part B, Element 2, item a.
  Change “(given in Attachment A of this document)” to “(posted on the Senate website)"
- Amend Article I Section 1.F The University Faculty can... “4. Conduct votes of confidence and no-confidence using Faculty Senate adopted procedures (posted to the Faculty Senate website).”

IV. Add quorum language to special constitution meeting requirements

Motion to amend Article V.C to read:

The University Faculty will be given the opportunity to meet and discuss an amendment at least 20 working days prior to a faculty vote thereon. Copies of the proposed amendment shall be distributed to all members of the University Faculty at least ten (10) working days in advance of the meeting. Modifications to the wording of an amendment can be made by majority vote of the University Faculty present at the meeting. A quorum of one hundred (100) faculty members must be present for such action to be taken.

V. Graduate Committee adjustment (reviewed by Graduate Council)

Motion to
- Add “Graduate Student Affairs Committee” to the list of standing committees.
- Strike “Graduate Student Petitions Committee” from the list of administrative committees.
- Remove the following from the Graduate Academic Policies Committee charge:

  It shall select awardees for university-wide graduate student scholarships and other prizes. It shall advise graduate student organizations. The committee may initiate study of issues regarding improvement of any aspect of graduate education or
specific concerns, including recruiting and enrolling students, and make recommendations to the Faculty Senate.

- Change “ans” to “an” in the Graduate Academic Policies membership clause.
- Amend the standing committee charges to include the following charge:

Graduate Student Affairs Committee charge:
The committee shall select awardees for university-wide graduate student scholarships and other prizes. It shall advise graduate student organizations. The committee may initiate study of issues regarding improvement of any aspect of graduate education or specific concerns, including recruiting and enrolling students, and make recommendations to the Faculty Senate. It shall also act as an appellate body for students' petitions for exceptions to University and Graduate School regulations and hear appeals of admission petitions.

Graduate Student Affairs Committee membership:
One (1) faculty representative from each college with a graduate program. A faculty representative may designate an alternate faculty representative who has voting privileges when the regular member is absent. The Dean of the Graduate School or designee, the University Registrar or designee, and one (1) graduate student representative (selected by the Graduate Student Assembly) will serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member.

VI. CORE Oversight charge changes

Motion to
- Change “participate in” to “oversee”
- Add a period at the end of the third bulleted item

VII. CTL ex-officio committee representation

Motion to substitute language in Section 8, subsection C, item 7, subitem b (i.e., Section 8.C.7.b), specifically to substitute "the CTL Faculty Director or faculty-ranked designee" for "a representative from the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL)."

VIII. Faculty President Qualifications

Motion to delete Section 3. A. 1. d.

(Specifically, delete "Have served on the Faculty Senate or as a member of a standing Senate committee." as a qualification for Faculty President.)

IX. Move to delete all language in Faculty Constitution Article III, Section 8, Part C, Item 8, Non-Bargaining Faculty Affairs Committee, and to delete all references to that committee elsewhere in the Faculty Constitution.