

Article III. The Faculty Council ^[1]

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A. Membership and Organization.

1. Composition. The Faculty Council shall be composed of: the officers of the Faculty Council (chair, vice chair and secretary); the most recently retired chair of the Faculty Council for the year following retirement as chair; three representatives from each of the campuses of the university; the chairs of the campus faculty assemblies; the chairs of the standing committees of the Faculty Council and of the Faculty Senate; and a representative from the Retired Faculty Association.

Each campus faculty assembly shall be responsible for selecting the campus's representatives to serve on Faculty Council. When a member of Faculty Council becomes an officer of the Council or a chair of a committee, the faculty assembly losing the Council member as a representative is entitled to select a replacement member. Faculty Council representatives must be members of the campus senate on the campus which they represent.

Faculty Council representatives from the campus faculty assemblies shall serve a term of three years, with the terms of the representatives from a given campus being staggered so that no more than one representative will retire each year. After completing two consecutive three-year terms and being off the Faculty Council for at least one year, a faculty member can again be elected or appointed to the Faculty Council by the respective campus faculty assembly. Faculty assemblies may vote to recall and replace their representatives during a term.

The president of the university and the vice president for academic affairs shall be ex officio members of the Faculty Council without vote.

2. Officers. The Faculty Council shall elect a chair, a vice chair and a secretary, each for a one-year term. Candidates must be members of the Faculty Senate. It is customary over time for Faculty Council officers to be selected from all of the campuses of the university, and distribution across campuses is encouraged at each election. Elections to replace an officer who does not complete a term shall be for the balance of the term with opportunity of succession.

Recall of Faculty Council Officers and Committee Officers. Officers of the Faculty Council may be recalled by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of the Council eligible to vote. Officers of any standing committee of the Faculty Council may be recalled by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of the committee eligible to vote. In the event of recall, a new election shall be held as soon as possible by the Faculty Council or by the committee in question to replace the recalled officer. Further procedures are specified in the Bylaws.

3. Executive Committee.

a. Function:

- Based on shared campus needs sets Faculty Council agenda
- Works with Faculty Council to ensure campus representation on committees • Represents the Faculty Council in between meetings
- Ensures faculty governance plays a significant role in the decision-making processes of the university at the system level

b. Membership. The Executive Committee of the Faculty Council shall consist of:

- the chair, chair-elect, immediate past chair and secretary of the Faculty Council
- the chairs of the campus assemblies

B. Functions. The Faculty Council, as the executive body of the Faculty Senate, shall initiate advice and recommendations to the president or other appropriate administrative officials for submission to the Board of Regents on matters within the jurisdiction of the Council which are related to academic policy, internal operations and external operations of the university.

C. Jurisdiction. The Faculty Council shall have jurisdiction over faculty governance matters affecting more than one campus of the university.

D. Joint Responsibility with System Administration. The Faculty Council shall take the initiative for establishing, by mutual agreement with the university president, procedures governing the form and nature of consultation that is to occur between them, the nature of the issues on which consultation is to be required and matters as to which notice of impending action shall be given. The agreement shall provide for a basic budget to cover staff support, office expenses, travel and appropriate operation of faculty governance, so that only appropriate variations need be negotiated from year to year. Both the Faculty Council and its committees and the officers of the university administration shall communicate with each other through appropriate channels.

E. Faculty Council Committees. The Faculty Council may establish committees as

necessary. FC standing committees and their charges shall be listed in the Bylaws.

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