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**Subject:** Re: FAC Input on Proposed Statutes Revisions ST-83  
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Thanks, David, for that clarification. That was our understanding as well.

Best,  
Carol

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Hi Carol,

Thanks for this feedback.

To your second point, while at the *Statutes* level this change would permit NTT and untenured TT faculty as FAC members, membership eligibility is still ultimately determined by the Senate. Our current Senate *Bylaws* restrict membership to tenured faculty. (See here: <https://senate.illinois.edu/bylaws.asp#fac>) Of course this could be changed, but at the moment if ST-83 were to take effect, there would be no change to the membership eligibility for Urbana's FAC.

Best,  
David

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Hi Professor Dalpiaz -

The FAC has had an opportunity to review and discuss these materials. We have no significant concerns with the proposed revisions, although we would like to make two comments.

- Lines 406 and 407 (which the FAC supports) contradict Lines 396 – 398. It would be

beneficial for the Urbana FAC – and I suspect those at other campuses – to have greater flexibility in maintaining full membership, as needed, beyond an annual election.

- Re: Lines 388 – 390, we would encourage restricting membership on FAC to tenured-faculty only because of the nature of the work we do. As 80% or so of our work involves P&T issues, it would be counterproductive to have untenured members serving on the committee.

Thanks for providing this opportunity for review. Please let me know if you have any questions, or if we can provide further assistance.

Kind regards,  
Carol

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**From:** Dalpiaz, David M <dalpiaz2@illinois.edu>  
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Chair Tilley,

I write on behalf of the Senate Committee on University *Statutes* and Senate Procedures (SP) to ask the Faculty Advisory Committee for any input or recommendations on proposed *Statutes* revisions known as ST-83. SP will use any input when drafting comments to send to the president and Board of Trustees via the University Senates Conference (USC).

Context and details follow, but importantly, USC has requested that the Urbana Senate send any comments by December 16, 2024. In order to consider your feedback, share it with the Senate, and properly integrate it into a set of comments, we suggest that you provide input by October 18, 2024.

The quick version of the background:

- In September 2021, USC transmitted to the three University Senates a large set of proposed *Statutes* revisions.
- On April 1, 2024, the Urbana Senate provided its feedback on these changes, which was to reject all changes. That feedback, known as SP.22.01 by the Senate, contains a detailed history of the process to that point.
  - [SP.22.01 Proposed Revision to the Statutes \(USC ST-83\)](#)

- USC considered the responses from the three senates and created an updated set of proposed changes.
- On August 27, 2024, USC transmitted the newly updated changes to the three University Senates, and simultaneously to the president. USC has stated that the senates may send further comments by December 16, 2024.

The revised changes that we now consider address some, but not all, of the concerns of the Urbana Senate. The revised changes also remain a large and complex set of changes, so fully understanding the consequences remains a challenge.

I believe my predecessor Shawn Gilmore made the FAC aware of this proposal years ago when this process began. The changes to the FAC section of the *Statutes* were largely kept the same as the original proposal, but there is one small change in this updated proposal. Beyond that, I imagine the FAC will be generally interested in ST-83, as it makes some sweeping changes to the definition of faculty (which would include NTT faculty and postdoctoral researchers at Urbana) and the full removal of the term academic staff.

Attached are three documents:

- The **transmittal letter** from USC to the Urbana Senate. This document outlines the process that has led to the current state of the proposed changes and details the process moving forward.
- The **USC response** to the Urbana Senate's initial feedback, which was to reject ST-83. This document explains the concerns that Urbana had with the initial document, and what consideration USC gave Urbana's feedback when making the most recent modifications to the proposed changes.
- The **full text** of the proposed changes to the *Statutes*. Note that the transmittal letter includes some advice about how to read this document. Some deletions are only noted via track-changes comments in the margin.

Apologies for the lengthy email, significant request, and quick timeline. Please let me know if you have any questions. SP will appreciate any and all feedback that you provide.

Best,

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