

**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS  
URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE**

University Statutes and Senate Procedures  
(Final; Action)

SP.02.07 Revisions to the *Bylaws* to Add Academic Professionals to Committee Memberships

**BACKGROUND**

The Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) requested that the Senate Executive Committee and Chancellor Aiken consider a mechanism for the greater involvement of academic professionals with the Senate. Since the 1980's, PAC has provided liaisons to the following Senate committees: Academic Freedom and Tenure, Budget, Equal Opportunity, Faculty Benefits, General University Policy, and University Statutes and Senate Procedures. However, PAC requested a more formal role.

The Senate Executive Committee reviewed this request and forwarded it to General University Policy (GUP) for review. GUP recommended that the following Senate committees would benefit from having one academic professional as a regular member: Admissions, Budget, Campus Operations, Continuing Education/Public Service, Equal Opportunity, Faculty Benefits, General University Policy, Information Technology, University Statutes and Senate Procedures, and University Student Life. GUP also recommended that academic professionals be elected to these committees through the same process as is currently used for faculty and student members. Those elected would, therefore, serve 2-year terms, have vote as well as voice on the committees, and automatically have Senate floor privileges on matters relating to the committee on which they serve. GUP also recommended that academic professional membership on the Senate Executive Committee be limited to a liaison role for the chair of PAC or designee. The Senate Executive Committee, General University Policy Committee, and the Professional Advisory Committee concur with these recommendations.

In addition, the Report of the Fifth Senate Review Commission recommended changing the title of "Senate Council" to "Senate Executive Committee," and this was accepted in SP.02.04 (approved by Senate on December 3, 2001). The changes on lines 1 and 3 are in the nature of housekeeping.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends approval of the revision to the *Bylaws*. Text to be deleted is indicated in [square brackets] and text to be added is underscored.

**PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE BYLAWS**

- 1 B - [Council] Executive Committee and the Committees
- 2 5. The Committee on Committees shall make nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair of the Senate
- 3 [Council] Executive Committee and for members and chairs of standing and *ad hoc* committees,
- 4 except for members of the Committee on Committees itself. Nominees for faculty or student
- 5 positions need not necessarily be senators except where otherwise expressly provided herein,
- 6 but must be members of the faculty or student electorate of the Urbana-Champaign campus or
- 7 of the College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign. Nominees for academic professional
- 8 positions must be members of the Professional Advisory Committee electorate of the Urbana-
- 9 Champaign campus or of the College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign. ...

10 6. Unless otherwise provided herein or by the Senate at the time of election, faculty members and  
11 academic professionals of standing committees shall be elected for terms of two years, about  
12 half being elected each year, and student and other members shall be elected for terms of one  
13 year. ...

14 D.1 - Senate Executive Committee

15 (b) Membership

16 The Senate Executive Committee shall be composed of (a) a Chair and a Vice-Chair, elected by  
17 ballot by and from among the membership of Senate, who shall be the presiding officers of the  
18 Senate Executive Committee, (b) seven faculty senators elected by and from among the faculty  
19 chairs of the standing and *ad hoc* committees of the Senate, (c) three students, including at least  
20 one undergraduate and at least one graduate or professional student, all of whom shall be  
21 elected by and from among the student senators, (d) one of the Senate's representatives to the  
22 University Senates Conference, elected by the Senate to serve on the Executive Committee,  
23 [and] (e) the campus faculty member of the Faculty Advisory Committee to the Board of Higher  
24 Education *ex officio* with vote, and (f) the Chair of the Professional Advisory Committee or the  
25 Chair's designee *ex officio* with voice but no vote, as well as Senate floor privileges.

26 D.3 - Committee on Admissions

27 (b) Membership

28 The Committee shall consist of:

29 1. Two faculty members from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and one faculty  
30 member from each other college, except that the Graduate College shall be represented by  
31 the Dean of the College or the Dean's designee (*ex officio*);

32 2. One academic professional member;

33 Renumber remainder of section.

34 D.4 - Committee on the Budget

35 (b) Membership

36 The Committee shall consist of:

37 1. Five faculty members,

38 2. One academic professional member,

39 Renumber remainder of section.

40 D.5 - Committee on Campus Operations

41 (b) Membership

42 The Committee shall consist of:

43 1. Eight faculty members,

44 2. One academic professional member,

45 Renumber remainder of section.

46 D.8 - Committee on Continuing Education and Public Service

47 (b) Membership

48 The Committee shall consist of:

49 1. Five faculty members,

50 2. One academic professional member,

51 Renumber remainder of section.

52 D.10 – Committee on Equal Opportunity

53 (b) Membership

54 The Committee shall consist of:

- 55 1. Five faculty members,
- 56 2. One academic professional member,

57 Renumber remainder of section.

58 D.11 – Committee on Faculty Benefits

59 (b) Membership

60 The Committee shall consist of:

- 61 1. Five faculty members,
- 62 2. One emeritus faculty member,
- 63 3. One academic professional member,
- 64 4. The campus faculty representative to the State Universities Retirement System Members  
65 Advisory Committee (*ex officio*),
- 66 5. The Director of the UIUC Benefits Center or the Director’s designee (*ex officio*),
- 67 6. The Executive Director of the State Universities Retirement System or the Director’s  
68 designee (*ex officio*),
- 69 7. The Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs or the Vice-Chancellor’s designee (*ex officio*),
- 70 8. Two faculty representatives to CMS Benefits Programs (*ex officio*), and
- 71 9. The Vice-Chancellor for Administration and Human Resources or the Vice-Chancellor’s  
72 designee (*ex officio*),<sup>1</sup> and
- 73 10. One member from the Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) (*ex officio*).]

74 Renumber remainder of section.

75 D.12 – Committee on General University Policy

76 (b) Membership

77 The Committee shall consist of:

- 78 1. Five faculty members,
- 79 2. One academic professional member,

80 Renumber remainder of section.

81 D.14 – Committee on Information Technology

82 (b) Membership

83 The Committee shall consist of:

- 84 1. Eight faculty members, with no more than two coming from any single college,
- 85 2. One academic professional member,

86 Renumber remainder of section.

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89 D.18 – Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures

90 (b) Membership

91 The Committee shall consist of:

- 92 1. Five faculty members,
- 93 2. One academic professional member,

94 Renumber remainder of section.

95 D.19 – Committee on University Student Life

96 (b) Membership

97 The Committee shall consist of:

- 98 1. Four faculty members,
- 99 2. One academic professional member,

100 Renumber remainder of section.

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