
Guest: B. McCormick Committee on Elections

II. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 11:00

III. Committee Charge:

Committee Charge for AY 10-11

1) Consider policies for advancing recommendations of Faculty Council AY 09-10 EOY report
   - Strengthen role of Provost as senior academic administrator, particularly over budget, in order to facilitate improved institutional decision-making that adequately integrates contributions from shared governance structures.
   - Implement 360 evaluation (eg. Faculty, Peer-Dean, alum evaluation of Deans) of administrators.
   - Increase collaboration between academic and administrative governance.
   - Include the Chair and Vice-Chair of UAS on the University leadership council, dean’s council meetings and possibly the trustees meetings in order to support the Provost’s advocacy of the academic mission of the University.
   - Create policy to govern requests for information from OIRA necessary to formulating UAS actions. (N.B., Dr. Gary Levy and OIRA have cooperated with UAS committees in AY 09-10, however, a procedure would assist in identifying appropriate requests for information and prioritizing those requests.)

2) Extend discussions of shared governance to faculty at large.

3) Prepare revisions of bylaws on election processes for UAS, standing committees, to propose to COCE and UAS (by November UAS meeting). DONE 8/24/10

4) Oversee work of Faculty Hearing Committee.

Action items pending from AY 09-10

1) Ensure that UAS has promulgated the executive summary of unit discussions of shared governance per UAS motion.

2) Ensure that the revision of the UAS website has been accomplished.
IV. Bylaws Change for Election

Following motion passed unanimously.

Whereas delays in completing the ballot conducting voting have resulted in UAS Senators not being elected prior to the April UAS meeting as specified in the Statutes and Bylaws, Faculty Council hereby moves that:

Section 5.02 of the Bylaws be amended to state: At-large elections to UAS, Faculty Council, the Committee on Academic Policies and Issues, the Committee on Faculty Welfare, and the Faculty Hearing Committee

a. A call for nominations (of self or others) will be communicated directly to all faculty members electronically in the Fall semester and will remain open for a specified period of at least one month. The Secretary and the two elected faculty senators on the Executive Committee will coordinate and facilitate the nomination process and will report to the COCE on the state of the nominations by the November UAS meeting. The results of the nominating process will be communicated to the COCE by January 31, who will verify and compose the ballot and administer the election in February.
b. Ballots should contain at least two candidates per position.
d. Candidates may be reelected indefinitely.

(Language to be amended) Section 5.02—At-large elections to UAS, Faculty Council, the Committee on Academic Policies and Issues, the Committee on Faculty Welfare, and the Faculty Hearing Committee

a. A nominating convention shall be held annually in March. A call for nominations (of self or others) will be communicated directly to all faculty in advance of the nominating convention. The Secretary and the two elected faculty senators on the Executive Committee will coordinate and facilitate the nominating convention. Each constituency eligible for election shall send a delegate to present nominees for the ballot. The results of the nominating convention will be communicated to the COCE, who will verify and compose the ballot and administer the election.
b. Ballots must contain at least two candidates per slot to be elected.
c. Brief biographical information and a statement from each candidate shall be supplied to the electorate with the ballot.
d. Candidates may be reelected indefinitely.
e. Only part-time faculty constitute the electorate for part-time positions. All full-time regular and participating faculty constitute the electorate for all other at-large elections.
f. Elections may be held online.
g. The COCE shall report the number of total ballots cast in each election and the winners to the Executive Committee. The COCE shall maintain a list of vote totals by candidate for the purposes of replacing representatives who may leave their terms early. Results shall be reported to the UAS Executive Committee prior to the April UAS meeting.

V. Plan for Other Components of Charge

Agenda item for September meeting, plan Faculty forum with Fr. Wild in Fall semester.

VI. Regular meeting dates - Sept 3, 24; Oct 29; Nov 19 11:00 – 12:30 Room 220 Clark Hall