

University Constitution Committee

Agenda

Thursday February 8, 2006
3:00-5:00 PM 354 Tigert Hall

1. Approval of Minutes from last meeting.
2. Discussion about how to make changes to the Constitution and By-laws in reference to the creation of a Dispute Resolution Officer (DRO)
3. Discussion of Joe Little's Comments regarding changes to the Constitution and By-laws
4. Rectifying inconsistencies in Regulations, Constitution and Faculty Senate Bylaws Part 2
5. Other business

**Constitution Committee minutes
January 11, 2007**

Attendees:

Joe Little
Cathy Martyniak
Tim Taylor
Mary Ann Ferguson
Blake Landor
Barbara Wingo

Absent:

Joe Glover
Cynthia Griffin

The meeting was called to order at: 3:00 PM.

The minutes were approved

Update on status of Compensation Committee language

Changes to the Senate By-law 4E 2 (a,b,c,)

Joe Little moved to strike full time tenured or tenure track and add the word “the” in Senate bylaw 4E2 a so it reads “the” faculty. The motion was approved.

Joe Little moved to strike “full time tenured or tenure track” in Senate bylaw 4E2 b. The motion was approved.

Joe Little moved to strike “full time tenured or tenure track” in Senate bylaw 4E2 c. The motion was approved.

Senate By-law 5

Joe Little moved to change the period to comma and insert the words “but shall not be members of the faculty as defined by article 3 section 1 of the constitution” after the word appointment. The motion was approved

Constitution and Regulations Committee operating procedures

Joe Little moved to adopt the revised committee operating procedures. The motion was approved.

Rectifying inconsistencies in Regulations, Constitution and Faculty Senate Bylaws.

The committee agreed to give the Senate the entire document and ask for approval all at once.

Joe Little moved to adopt the proposed constitutional language in Article 3 Section 3 regarding academic ranks. The motion was approved.

Joe Little moved to make the suggested change in Article 4 section 1. The motion was approved. This change will recommend that the Faculty Senate Chair or designee will notify Academic Units of the number of faculty that are eligible for election to the Senate.

Joe Little moved to make recommendations regarding term length in Article 4 Section 2 A to steering committee. The constitution committee recommends that a term (for term limits) be specified as a 3 year term. The motion was approved.

Barbara Wingo will draft a proposal of language for the section regarding ex officio members.

The meeting adjourned at: 4:45 PM

The committee stopped on page 12 and will continue reviewing revision at the next meeting.

University Constitution Committee

Minutes

November 2, 2006

3:00-5:00 PM 354 Tigert Hall

Attendees:

Joe Little

Cathy Martyniak

Tim Taylor

Cynthia Griffin

Mary Ann Ferguson

Blake Landor

Barbara Wingo

Absent:

Joe Glover

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM

The minutes from the October meeting were approved.

Cathy Martyniak reviewed the constitution committee operating policies and procedures that were created by the 2004-2005 constitution committee. The committee discussed who directs the committee and when changes are put into the constitution. Barbara Wingo explained that changes made to the constitution are reflected the next day and that the constitution committee can act on its own, at direction from the full Senate, the Senate chair and/or the Senate Steering committee. The committee can also deny requests if it needs additional information.

The constitution committee will bring an item to the Steering committee in December in order to seek permission to update bylaw 4E2ABC, which is inconsistent with recent changes to the constitution and bylaws.

Joe Little requested that Cathy Martyniak create a bulleted list of the policies and procedures for the committee's review. The committee would like to review these policies and procedures annually.

The committee also requested that Barbara Wingo review constitutional language to find inconsistencies with the bylaws.

Chair elect election

Cathy Martyniak nominated Dr. Ferguson as chair elect. Joe Little moved to close the nominations and approve Dr. Ferguson as chair elect. The motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 3:38 PM.