

**Constitution Committee**  
**Minutes**  
**January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**1 pm to 3 pm**  
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Attendees:

Barbara Wingo  
Cynthia Griffin  
Cathy Martyniak  
Tim Taylor  
Victoria Pagán  
Angel Kwolek Folland  
Danaya Wright

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM

The minutes of the November 26, 2007 meeting were approved.

Constitution Committee Membership replacement discussion

Cathy Martyniak will contact Joe Little and ask him to serve the remainder of his term.

Updates

Cathy Martyniak updated the committee on some changes to the constitution that were presented to the Senate as an information item in December. These changes were not previously approved by the constitution committee.

Cathy Martyniak also updated the committee on the status of the General Education Committee language. The Steering committee and Joe Glover, as a representative of the Deans, agreed to split the committees evenly. The chair of the committee will be decided by a task force and the language regarding baccalaureate degree granting colleges will not be changed at this time. E

Membership of Councils (Article 5, Section 3, C) Chair of Contributing Committee

The council interpreted this language and drafted language to clarify the language's meaning.

**OLD:**

Membership of councils: Voting members of each council shall consist of six (6) members elected by the Senate from the Senate membership and the chairperson of each contributing committee. If the chair of a contributing committee is not an elected faculty member, then a faculty member will be elected to serve on the council by the faculty members of the Committee. The chairs of related committees to a council shall serve as non-voting member of those councils with the right to propose inquiries and other actions.

**NEW:**

Membership of councils: Voting members of each council shall consist of six (6) members elected by the Senate from the Senate membership and the chairperson of each contributing committee. If the chair of a contributing committee is an appointed member of the committee, then the members of the committee shall choose from among the elected faculty members a representative to serve on the council. The chairs of related committees to a council shall serve as non-voting members of those councils with the right to propose inquiries and other actions.

Cynthia Griffin moved to approve the new language. The motion was approved. Cathy Martyniak will bring this issue before the Steering committee at the January meeting for consideration on the January Senate Information Agenda.

Spring 08 Constitution issues as laid out by Ferguson

The committee will change instructor to lecturer in the constitution as appropriate. Cathy Martyniak will follow up with Rick Yost regarding search committees in 62A3. Article 36G3 termination.

How best to approach review of By Laws

Barbara Wingo will review the bylaws and bring proposed changes to the committee.

The February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting will be rescheduled for February 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 2:28 PM