

Changes University of Florida Constitution as Recommended
by Constitution Committee, December 13, 2007

Changes recommended to the sections below are color-coded in green comments in the attached Constitution and reflect grammar, typos, outdated terminology, and housekeeping changes such as changing “rules” to “regulations,” chairperson to chair, and adding Faculty Senate Chair to reporting function to reflect current situation.		
ARTICLE	SECTION/SUBSECTION	Change is:
I. GOVERNANCE OF THE UNIVERSITY	Paragraph 1	rules to regulations
III. THE FACULTY	Section 2, ACADEMIC FREEDOM, paragraph 1	rules to regulations
	Section 4, APPOINTMENT OF FACULTY MEMBERS	chairperson to chair
	Section 5, PROMOTION OF FACULTY MEMBERS	chairperson to chair-twice
	Section 6, TENURE (E) 2	chairperson to chair
	Section 6, (F)	terminology outdated
	Section 6, (G) (1) (b)	terminology outdated
	Section 6, (G) (1) (f)	terminology outdated
	Section 6, (H) (2)	typo
IV. THE FACULTY SENATE	Section 1, FUNCTIONS, Paragraph 3	senate operations have changed
	Section 3, OFFICERS (A) (3) (c)	no longer relevant
	Section 5, QUORUM	typo, redundant to next section
V. COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES	Section 2, SENATE OPERATIONS COMMITTEES (A) paragraph 1	terminology outdated & senate operations changed
	Section 2, (A) paragraph 2	chairperson to chair
	Section 2, (C)	rules to regulations-twice
	Section 3, THE SENATE POLICY COUNCILS (C)	chairperson to chair
	Section 7, MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY AND NOMINATION PROCESS (C)	terminology outdated-twice
	Section 8, TERMS OF SERVICE AND ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS (B)	senate operations changed
VI. ORGANIZATIONAL UNITS OF THE UNIVERSITY	Section 3, THE DEPARTMENTS (B)	chairperson to chair
	Section 3, (C)	chairperson to chair
VII. RIGHT OF APPEAL	Paragraph 1	rules to regulations

Changes recommended to sections below are color coded in turquoise comments in the attached constitution and reflect updates because of changes to ranks, appointments and promotions.

III, THE FACULTY	Section 3, ACADEMIC RANKS	instructor rank no longer used
	Section 4, APPOINTMENT OF FACULTY MEMBERS	appointments no longer handled this way
	Section 5, PROMOTION OF FACULTY MEMBERS	changed to reflect policy and practice-twice
	Section 6, TENURE, (C) (1)	changed to reflect policy and practice
	Section 6, (C) (2-6)	changed to reflect policy and practice
	Section 6, (C) (4)	changed to reflect county extension permanent status policy and practice
	Section 6, (E) (1-4)	changed to reflect policy and practice
	Section 6, (F)	changed to reflect policy and practice for nonrenewal of non-tenured faculty

Changes recommended to sections below are color-coded in gray comments in the attached constitution and reflect changes to clarify difference among elected voting members, ex officio non-voting members, staff/liason members, and student non-voting members

IV. THE FACULTY SENATE	Section 2, MEMBERSHIP, paragraph 1	Clarifies difference of elected voting and ex officio non-voting members
	Section 2, (A)	Voting members defined
	Section 2, (B) (1 & 2)	Non-voting ex-officio and student members defined
	Section 2, (C)	Faculty Senate administrative liaison defined
	Section 2, (D) (3)	Senator who become Faculty Senate liaison vacates elected senate seat
	Section 3, OFFICERS (A) (4) (a)	Parliamentarian to staff
V. COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES	Section 2, SENATE OPERATIONS COMMITTEES (A)	President and provost as ex officio voting members of steering changed to noticed and right of floor
	Section 7, MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY AND NOMINATION PROCESS (A)	Ex-officio members changed to non-voting members and secretary and parliamentarian to staff
	Section 7, (C)	Non-voting ex-officio

		changed to liaison
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