



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

Subject: Faculty Governance

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Dear Paul and Dave

I attach to this email a document I have on my wordprocessor that I would be most grateful if you would transmit to the Faculty Governance Committee that Paul is chairing and Dave is staffing as I think it a useful contribution to the discussion we are having.
Respectfully submitted

Peter B Gilkey

UO Senate President (2009/10)

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By the way. I neither endorse nor recommend this document and only transmit it as I think it might be of interest to the committee. PBG

To create a Faculty Senate

Preamble: The Oregon Department of Justice opinion (OP-6735) has recommended that the statutory faculty have a means to meet and vote on issues concerning the internal governance of the University. The faculty assembly will be reconstituted for that purpose. However, whereas the faculty assembly includes all statutory faculty members and will meet infrequently, a faculty senate would be a much smaller representational body that meets monthly.

Whereas,

The statutory faculty require a mechanism by which to meet as a separate group within the internal governance structure of the University,

And whereas,

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Be it moved that,

A Faculty Senate shall be created in addition to the Faculty Assembly and the University Senate.

A. Composition of the Faculty Senate:

- 1) The University President, who will be the presiding officer.
- 2) The Faculty Senate President and Vice-President, who will also serve these roles in the University Senate.
- 3) 13 additional statutory faculty members distributed in the following manner:
 - a. 2 from each division of CAS (6 total)
 - b. 1 from each professional school (6 total)
 - c. 1 library faculty member

B. Duties of the Faculty Senate:

- 1) **Curricular Matters:** The Faculty Senate shall deal with curricular matters that include, but are not limited, to the following: approving the quarterly report of the Committee on Courses, approving motions concerning the awarding of degrees and of honorary degrees, and approving changes to degree requirements.
- 2) **Discipline of Students:** The Faculty Senate shall deal with matters of the discipline of the University and the students therein that include, but are not limited to, the Student Conduct Code.
- 3) **Personnel Policies:** The Faculty Senate shall be consulted concerning personnel policies that affect tenure related officers of instruction including, but not limited to the following: rules concerning the Faculty Grievance Appeals Committee

- (FGAC) and the Promotion, Tenure, Retention Appeals Committee (PTRAC), revisions of UO Policy statements concerning Post Tenure Review and Peer Evaluation of Teaching, revisions of the way in which course evaluations are handled, hiring policies, working conditions, salary policies such as the Senate Budget Committee White Paper, etc.
- 4) **Other matters:** The Faculty Senate shall deal with any other matters that the President of the University deems reasonable and proper.

C. Meetings of the Faculty Senate:

The Faculty Senate shall meet the first Wednesday of each month from 1500 to 1700, October through May, or at the call of the President of the University. The University Senate shall meet the second Wednesday of each Month from 1500 to 1700, October through May, or at the call of the President of the University. The December meeting of either body may be held in late November if needed.

D. Committee reporting structure

1. Committees that report to the Faculty Senate
 - a. Curricular related: Academic Requirements. Committee on Courses, Committee on Scholarships, Foreign Studies Committee, Off Campus Scholarship Committee. Scholastic Review Committee, DSA (in relation to honorary degrees), the Graduate Council, the Undergraduate Council.
 - b. Governance of Students: the Student Conduct and Community Standards Committee, the Student Conduct, and the Hearings Panel, Student Faculty Grievance Appeals Board.
 - c. Personnel: the Tenure Reduction Committee, the Summer Research Teaching Award Committee, Faculty Personnel Committee, the PTRAC.
 - d. As appropriate: The FAC, the FGAC, and the IFS Senators
 - e. Other committees as designated by the President of the University.
2. Reports to the University Senate:
 - a. All mandated reports by administrators and committees legislated prior to the creation of the Faculty Senate shall continue to be made to the University Senate except as noted above.
 - b. The following Committees report to the University Senate: Campus Planning Committee, Committee on Committees, the Distinguished Service Award Committee (in relation to the Distinguished Service Award), the distinguished teaching award, the Environmental Issues Committee, the International Affairs Committee, the Johnson Committee, the LGBTC, the University Library Committee, the NTTF Committee, the ROTC Committee, the IAC, the FGAC (as appropriate), the Faculty Advisory Committee (as appropriate), and the Inter Institutional Faculty Senate Representatives (as appropriate).
 - c. Other committees as designated by the President of the University.

D. Reapportionment of University Senate

To maintain the current number of faculty serving on internal governance bodies, the University Senate shall be reapportioned in the following manner:

1. 24 faculty (reduction of 13) representing the different colleges/schools in the following manner:
 - a. CAS – Humanities: 4 seats
 - b. CAS – Sciences: 4 seats
 - c. CAS – Social Sciences: 4 seats
 - d. Professional Schools: 2 seats each
 - e. Library Faculty 2 seats
2. 6 Officers of Administration (increase of 3)
3. 6 Classified Staff (increase of 3)
4. 7 Undergraduate Students (increase of 2)
5. 5 Graduate Students (previously there were none)