

Changes to the Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws for Texas A&M University-San Antonio, 2015 -Present

All amendments and revision have been included in the text of the Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws.

December 4, 2015

Section 2.3: Add “The President of the Faculty Senate shall serve in addition to this number.”

Section 3.4: Add “A Senator may serve an additional year as President if elected as President Elect in their second year”.

Section 3.4: Add “The immediate Past President shall not serve two consecutive terms.”

Section 5.1: Add “One additional Senator will be elected from the electoral unit of the current President Elect.”

Section 5.3: Replace ‘The two candidates’ with ‘candidate(s)’

Section 6.2.1: Add “All senators who have not completed their term are eligible to serve as officers.”

Section 6.3.1: Insert “and vote only in the case of a tie” after “The Faculty Senate President shall preside at meetings”

Section 6.3.3: Replace *Robert’s Rules of Order* with *Democratic Rules of Order*.

Section 9.1.2: Replace “Council on Assessment Planning and Budgeting” with “University Resource Commission”

Section 9.2.7: Add “The Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Committee” as a standing committee. Add the following as the description of the committee, “The WAC Committee will consist of three representatives (one from Arts & Sciences, Education & Human Development, and Business) elected by their respective Academic Units, two representatives of the Faculty Senate elected by the Faculty Senate, and the Writing Across the Curriculum Director. The Committee will be chaired by a Faculty Senator. The WAC Committee’s duties will include defining criteria for Writing Intensive (WI) courses, interpreting best practices for our institutional context, and determining a process for

designating, assessing, and supporting WI courses. In addition, the WAC Committee will promote writing at the university and will identify areas in which the faculty would benefit from institutional support related to the teaching of writing. The WAC Committee will make recommendations to the Provost and the President.”

May 6, 2016

Section 9.2.1: Strike through, “The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee consists of three representatives (one from Arts & Sciences, Education & Human Development, and Business) elected by their respective Academic Units and two representatives of the Faculty Senate elected by the Faculty Senate.” Add, “The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee shall consist of the following members: one Faculty Senate representative elected by the Faculty Senate to serve as chair of the committee voting only in the case of a tie, the chair of each college curriculum committee, and one elected at-large member from each college. The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee shall have a permanent sub-committee dedicated to advising on core curriculum issues.”

Section 9.2.1: Add, “The Core Curriculum Sub-Committee of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee shall consist of one member of the University Curriculum Committee from each college. The Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, The Director of University Library and the Assistant Vice President of the University College shall serve as advisory non-voting members. The Core Curriculum Sub-Committee oversees the core curriculum. All proposals from the core curriculum committee must also be approved by the full Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

- (a)Core curriculum academic standards
- (b)Additions and withdrawals of core curriculum courses
- (c)Assessment of the core curriculum”