



Rules, Practices and Policies Committee (RPP)

Minutes of Meeting: 10/25/2022

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Present: Meredith Kahn, Bruce Maxim, Bill Schultz (Co-Chair), Sergio Villalobos-Ruminott

Absent: Ella Kazerooni (Co-Chair), John Pasquale

Guests: none

Faculty Senate Office: Luke McCarthy

A regular meeting of the Rules, Practices and Policies Committee was held with Co-Chair Bill Schultz presiding and Luke McCarthy, FSO Director, serving as secretary.

The meeting began with introductions.

The committee then reviewed information presented recently in the Senate Assembly regarding possible scenarios for restructuring the Faculty Senate to include the Clinical Faculty and/or the Lecturers (Senate Assembly presentation attached). There was a suggestion to revise slide 8 to show a comparison between the three possible scenarios and the *current* numbers for the Faculty Senate, rather than to the numbers from last April when the last Senate Assembly reapportionment was official performed.

The committee also discussed how librarians are being factored into the apportionment. All the restructuring scenarios have librarians working within particular units as being counted within those units. However, librarians often do not have a voice within those units, including by not being invited to serve on unit committees or being elected to unit positions. Apportioning librarians among the various units dilutes the librarian vote. An alternative option would be to group all librarians together for apportionment purposes. On the other hand, it was raised, this concern could be true of other groups too, such as the Lecturers, if they were admitted.

The committee wondered whether there were other groups of faculty that might also be considered for admission to the Faculty Senate. Why not just admit all faculty, regardless of title, if they have at least a 50% appointment? Why just the Clinical Faculty and the Lecturers? Director McCarthy said he would request data so that the RPP could assess if there are other groups of faculty with at least 50% appointment who are not being discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke McCarthy