



Rules, Practices and Policies Committee (RPP)

Minutes of Meeting: 3/8/24

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Present: Howard Bromberg, Neil Marsh, Bruce Maxim, Dinesh Pal (Chair), Heather O'Malley (SACUA Liaison), Jonathan Brennan,

Absent: Audrey Bennett, David Potter, Michela Russo, Sergio Villalobos-Ruminott

Faculty Senate Office: Eric Vandenberghe, Luke McCarthy, Paul Fossum

10:01am: Call to Order, Approval of Agenda and Minutes, Announcements

The agenda was approved. The minutes for the February RPP meeting were approved.

10:01am-10:18am: Article 1, Section 6

Summary: Discussion returned to this sub-section. The email conversation between meetings is reviewed. The subject is nuanced. The inception of this provision is reviewed. It is new language and was a part of the recent expansion to include clinical, lecturers, archivists, and curators in summer of 2023.

Discussion about SACUA representation with non-tenured track faculty is discussed. An example, involving the 5.09 committee composition is discussed. At the moment, the SACUA Chair and Parliamentarian are the decision makers on these matters. Discussion and debate takes place on this subject. The committee decides not to make any changes to this section at this time.

Action: Discussion

10:18am-10:22am: Article 1, Section 7

Summary: The Chair brings this section up. Each sub-point is reviewed. There are minor updates made.

Action: Discussion

10:22am-10:28am: Article 1, Section 8

Summary: The Chair brings this subject up. Each sub-point is reviewed. There are minor updates made. A discussion of Robert's Rules of Order takes place. Utilization of this text is in the Regent's bylaws.

Action: Discussion

10:28am-10:50am: Article 2, Section 1



Summary: Discussion about reapportionment takes place. This occurs every three years. Categorizing joint-appointments is raised by the FSO director and discussion takes place. The consensus is that choosing the home department of the faculty should be the norm, and implemented in the recommendations.

A question of the definition of “units” takes place. Questions about librarians’ home units is discussed. Librarians have raised concerns about representation and that is why they have their own unit. Changes to the language are made.

The flow of this section of the document is discussed.

Discussion about those elected to SACUA is discussed. It is current practice that anyone who participates in Senate Assembly or Senate Assembly committees is eligible for election to SACUA. Those elected to SACUA who aren’t on Senate Assembly are given a term on Senate Assembly so long as they are on SACUA. Changes to the language to the document are made to reflect the current practices.

Discussion about retirees takes place. They provide good institutional memory and liaise with the retiree’s association. A clarification about the meaning of ex officio is made.

Action: Discussion

10:50am-10:55am: Article 2, Section 2

Summary: A point is made that this should be broken up. This section is part of Regent’s bylaws, some aspects will need to be revised.

Action: Discussion

10:55am-11:01am: Article 2, Section 3

Summary: Discussion takes place regarding this section. The autonomy of the units is discussed briefly. Anecdotes about specific units are shared.

Action: Discussion

11:01am: Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

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