



## GENERAL CHARGE FOR SPECIAL SENATE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

Special committees are established by Senate Assembly as authorized in Section 4.06 of the Regents' Bylaws. In collaboration with the Faculty Senate Office and SACUA, special committees assist Senate Assembly with its work. Senate Assembly special committees are charged with bringing faculty voice and perspective to a broad range of university activities including policy and procedure.

*Rules, Practices and Policies Committee (RPP)*

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### Specific Charge 2025-2026

1. In collaboration with the Faculty Senate Office, consider the Faculty Senate's current rules and procedures for resolving disputes between faculty. In 1987, the Senate Assembly created a "SACUA Faculty Hearing Committee" to address issues between or among faculty members, but such a committee does not currently operate, even though it is mentioned in the Faculty Grievance Procedures. *Robert's Rules of Order* provides other means of addressing issues, but the procedures are complex, and disputes between faculty might be better resolved through a new procedure.
2. Provide a recommendation to SACUA regarding the continuing utility of the electing from the Senate Assembly a nominating committee each year for approving the SACUA candidates submitted to the Senate Assembly for the annual SACUA member election. Such a committee is currently required under the Senate Rules.
3. Once SACUA has completed its discussions of the RPP's recommended Senate Rules revisions and discussed the future of the Faculty Senate, consider such further issues as may be submitted to it by SACUA over the course of the year.