

# Faculty Senate

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#### Committee on Committees

# Annual Report 2010-2011

# Membership

Roger Rennekamp, Chair '12 Public Health and Human Sciences

Eugene Zhang '11 Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Louie Bottaro '11 Liberal Arts Student Services
Bill Loges '12 New Media Communications
David Craig '13 University Housing and Dining

Linda Hoyser '13 Food Science and Technology (Resigned)

Student Member Not Appointed

Anne Gillies Executive Committee Liaison

The primary purpose of the Committee on Committees is to maintain a continuing study of the structure and effectiveness of University councils and committees, and of their relationship to responsibilities of the Faculty Senate; to propose and review proposals for new Senate standing committees; and to make recommendations on committee reorganization and functions to appropriate Senate and University officers.

#### **Committee Meeting**

Members of the Committee on Committees met on January 20, 2011 to review our standing rules, the tasks to be conducted for the current year, and to outline a plan for completing this year's assignments. Committee members agreed to meet face-to-face with relevant committee chairs to conduct the regular five-year reviews that were scheduled for 2010-11. The committees scheduled for review and the lead reviewer for each committee are listed below.

Baccalaureate Core
Budgets and Fiscal Planning
By-Laws
Bill Loges
Bill Loges
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Committee on Committees Roger Rennekamp
Computing Resources Eugene Zhang
Administrative Appointments Roger Rennekamp

Academic Regulations David Craig

# **Assessment Guide**

The following questions were used to guide the interviews with the current committee chairs.

- 1. Do the Standing Rules clearly reflect the function and composition of this committee?
- 2. Have the committee's actions/function, as reported in the annual reports and based on consultation with the current chair and committee, been consistent with their Standing Rules?
- 3. Do the annual reports provide a memory of the issues this committee addressed, their activities and any outcomes?
- 4. What has been the role/benefit of the student members?
- 5. What connection is there to the University's strategic plan?
- 6. To what extent does the committee add value to the university and/or faculty governance?
- 7. If the chair believes the committee does not add value, please explain and address the question as to whether the committee should continue to exist.
- 8. Does this committee's work enhance OSU's commitment to diversity? If so, how?

# Reports of Scheduled Five-Year Reviews of Faculty Senate Committees

Reports of the Five-Year Committee Reviews are appended to this annual report as follows:

Appendix A - Baccalaureate Core

Appendix B - Budgets and Fiscal Planning

Appendix C - Bylaws and Nominations

Appendix D - Committee on Committees

<u>Appendix E</u> - Computing Resources

Appendix F - Administrative Appointments

<u>Appendix G</u> - Academic Regulations

# **Review of Standing Rules**

The Committee on Committees reviewed Standing Rules revisions for two faculty senate committees.

Administrative Appointments Committee - Proposed revisions to the standing rules would require at least one member of the Administrative Appointments Committee to serve on all search committees for administrative positions, including searches for the Athletic Director and those positions that report to the Provost, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, and all Vice President and Vice Provosts. Revisions also stipulated that within thirty days of the close of an administrative appointments search, the Administrative Appointments Committee member assigned to that search shall submit to the Administrative Appointments Committee chair a summary of the search conduct and results for inclusion in the Administrative Appointments Committee chair's year-end activity report to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. These changes were supported by the Committee on Committees and passed by the Faculty Senate on June 9, 2011.

Academic Standing Committee - Proposed revisions to the standing rules clarified the process for appeal following the rendering of a decision on academic standing. Specifically, it amended the standing rules to state that "after the Committee's decision has been recorded, an appeal may be submitted to the Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs. Should the Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs be out of the office on extended travel or have a conflict of interest he/she may refer the decision to the Provost of the University, the Vice Provost for Student Affairs, or the Associate Provost for Academic Success and Engagement." These changes were supported by the Committee on Committees and passed by the Faculty Senate on June 9, 2011.

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