

**Five-Year Review**  
**Bylaws and Nominations Committee**  
Faculty Senate Committee on Committees  
May 2005

This review of the Bylaws and Nominations Committee is submitted in accordance with the duties of the Committee on Committees to review each Faculty Senate Committee at five-year intervals, using the following five criteria established by the Faculty Senate:

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 by consulting 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 student members?
5. What connection is there to the University's strategic goals?

The Committee on Committees reports that:

1. The standing rules for the Bylaws and Nominations Committee do accurately reflect the current function and composition of this committee. However, the Bylaws and Nominations Committee recommends that at least two of the members of this committee should have extensive historical and campus-wide knowledge of the Faculty Senate and OSU. Also, the Committee suggests that a statement be added to the standing rules to require an annual report be prepared each year.
2. Based on consultation with the Bylaws and Nominations Committee and review of the annual reports that are on file, the actions of this committee have been consistent with the standing rules. However, as noted below, there are no annual reports on the Faculty Senate website for this committee for the past two years.
3. Annual reports describing the actions of the Bylaws and Nominations Committee are available on the Faculty Senate website for the years 1998-1999, 1999-2000, 2000-2001, and 2001-2002. Apparently, no reports were prepared for the years 2002-2003 and 2003-2004. The annual reports that are on file do provide a thorough description of the issues addressed by this committee, their activities, and outcomes.
4. Student members are not included on the Bylaws and Nominations Committee.
5. The Bylaws and Nominations Committee monitors the Bylaws of the Faculty Senate, reviews proposals for changes, and recommends amendments for changes. They also nominate candidates for Faculty Senate President-Elect, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, and the Interinstitutional Faculty Senate. By ensuring the relevance and integrity of the Faculty Senate this committee is connected to all three of the University's strategic goals - to create a compelling learning experience for our students, staff and faculty; to be recognized as a top-tier university on all scales of measurement; and to treat the State of Oregon as the campus of Oregon State University.

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