

ARTICLE VII

Meetings

Proposed Amendment 3 to the Senate By-laws

Section 1

Times reserved for the meetings of the Faculty Senate shall be determined and announced by the Senate President at the beginning of each fall and spring semester in accordance with the current University calendar.

Section 2

Emergency meetings shall require a written notice delivered to the University Faculty at least 24 hours in advance.

Section 3

Except in cases of emergency, meetings will be held as regularly scheduled.

Section 4

A Senate pro-tem composed of the resident Deans (6), eight volunteer faculty, and the Senate President shall be empowered to convene as the Faculty Senate during times when the full Senate is not in session. They shall consider proposals related to the purview of the Senate as requested by the Provost. Any language of the By-laws pertaining to the Senate shall be construed to include reference to the Senate pro-tem.

Section 5

The presence of a simple majority of voting members of the Senate shall constitute a quorum.

Any proposal (formal, informal, procedural, or a proposed amendment to the bylaws) to be voted on by the Faculty Senate shall require the presence of a quorum. Discussion of proposals shall be allowed in the Senate meeting on the date on which the vote is scheduled. Should the discussion be prolonged, the Senate may move to vote electronically, and said vote shall be completed within seven

(7) days. In the case of an electronic vote of the Senate, the participation of a simple majority of voting members shall constitute a quorum, and these members shall be considered "present" for meeting purposes.

Section 5

Every formal proposal (including proposed amendments to the bylaws) brought to the Faculty

| Senate, except during times when the Senate-pro-tem is empowered to act for the full Senate, must be considered for a minimum of one month prior to voting to allow time for discussion

and comment by faculty members. Informal or procedural proposals considered by the Senate are exempt from this rule and can be brought forward for an immediate vote of the Senate during the meeting in which the informal or procedural proposal is brought.

Section 6

Formal proposals require an affirmative vote from two thirds of the faculty senators present to become recommendations. All voting on formal proposals (including voting on proposed

| amendments to the bylaws) must be anonymous, preferably electronic. The requirement for anonymity shall be waived when the Senate pro-tem is in session. Any formal proposals receiving affirmative votes from less than two thirds of the faculty senators present shall be returned to the body submitting the proposal. Every recommendation, except for those accepted by the Senate pro-tem (including proposed amendments to the bylaws) passed by the Faculty Senate shall, within two weeks, be presented electronically to the University Faculty for vote.

Informal or procedural proposals considered by the Faculty Senate are exempt from these rules

| and can be passed with a simple majority of the senators present at the votee.

Section 7

| Formal proposals accepted by the Senate Pro-Tem shall be announced to the Faculty Senate and the full faculty, during the faculty connection at the beginning of the academic year.