

## **ESTABLISHMENT OF STUDENT ALTERNATE REPRESENTATION ON STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE**

Synopsis: Proposed establishment of student alternates on standing committees of the University Senate

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Senate received a request to amend the Rules of the University Faculty to allow student alternates on committees of the University Senate; and

WHEREAS, the faculty leadership met with the student leadership and agreed that creating a way of providing for student alternates on standing committees of the University Senate was appropriate; and

WHEREAS, a clearly articulated alternate policy will ensure full student participation in the shared governance structure of the University Senate and its standing committees; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on March 31, 2009, the Council on Student Affairs approved the following language (\*except addition by Steering); and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on May 22, 2009, the Steering Committee approved the following language; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on May 29, 2009, the Rules Committee approved the following language,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the University Senate approve the proposed changes to Faculty Rule 3335-5-48.4 and the creation of Faculty Rule 3335-5-48 (B)(4), and respectfully requests the concurrence of the Board of Trustees, said proposal to be effective upon approval by the Board of Trustees.

3335-5-48 Standing and special committees of the senate.

(A) Unchanged.

(B) Membership.

- (1) Unchanged
- (2) Unchanged
- (3) Unchanged
- (4) Student Alternates.

Unless otherwise designated by rule, graduate, inter-professional and undergraduate student members of standing and special committees of the senate may have an alternate. The alternate shall be selected from the same area of representation as the original appointment. Student members shall advise the chair of the alternate's name prior to the meeting in which the member will be absent. The chair has responsibility for recording correct voting status. If the member has voting status, the alternate may vote in the event of the member's absence. If the member has speech and debate privileges, the alternate shall retain these privileges in the member's absence. Whenever

possible, potential alternates will be identified by the appointing authority at the beginning of the academic year.

3335-5-48.4 Council on Student Affairs (Unchanged)

A. Membership.

The council on student affairs shall consist of twenty-two members.

- (1) Unchanged.
- (2) Unchanged.
- (3) Unchanged.
- (4) Unchanged.
- (5) Unchanged.

Members of the council on student affairs may have an alternate. The alternate shall be selected in the same manner as the original appointment. The chair has responsibility for recording correct voting status. If the member has voting status, the alternate may vote in the event of the member's absence.