

A Proposal to the University Senate 2016-7

University Faculty Rule 3335-19-03 (B) (1) states the Steering Committee shall *receive through the university senate office proposals for senate action or other presentations to the senate from any committee of the senate, or university committee or council, or member of the senate, or any member of the university community.* This form, although not required, will expedite your proposal and may be sent to the University Senate, at senate@osu.edu. Electronic submission in MS *.docx format is preferred. Do not send graphical scans.

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Date co-Sponsor if any	August 30, 2016	
Proposal title	Senate Steering Committee Duties and Responsibilities	
Issue addressed	The duties and responsibilities section for the steering committee in rule 3335-5-47.1 is incomplete. The current language does not mention the role of the steering committee (1) to “steer” proposals to senate committees nor (2) to establish the agenda for the university senate.	
Proposal	<p>3335-5-47.1 Steering committee.</p> <p>(B) Duties and responsibilities. The steering committee shall:</p> <p>(1) Be the senate's committee on committees. ▲</p> <p>(1)(2) The steering committee will receive Receive and discuss proposals from the university senate office or senate committees and forward them to the full senate, or refer them to appropriate senate committees for further review.</p> <p>(2)(3) Establish the agenda for meetings of the senate, as required by rule 3335-19-03.</p> <p>(3)(4) The steering committee shall Have the power to call, by vote of nine of its members, a special meeting of the senate, and shall have such power and duties as the senate may delegate to it during periods when the senate is not in session. It may create subcommittees and may delegate to them any of its powers, functions, and duties.</p> <p>(4)(5) Review the structure, operation, and effectiveness of the senate and its committees. It shall receive suggestions, review proposed rule changes, and initiate recommendations for change in the structure and operation of the senate, including structure, duties, and responsibilities of senate committees, without, however, in any way restricting the senate's authority to alter its operations by other means. The steering committee may also review other proposed rule changes prior to presentation to the senate.</p> <p>(5)(6) Serve as a channel of communication between the senate and the president and the board of trustees. Members shall be an advisory group available to both the president and the board of trustees for advice and counsel on any matter relating to the operation and development of the university. After consulting with the president, the members of the steering committee may request and obtain a meeting with the board of trustees.</p> <p>(6)(7) Meet at least once every year with the chair of each standing committee.</p>	
Budget & support		
Attachments, if any		

The Faculty Leaders (Chair, Faculty Council; Chair Elect Faculty Council; Secretary of the Senate and Chair, Steering Committee) will review this proposal and forward it to the Steering Committee for disposition following the published proposal pathway. You may be invited

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to this or other committees or councils to discuss the idea. Proposals for the Fall semester may reach the senate in the current academic year, whereas those in the Spring semester may be deferred to the following academic year. Thank you for your proposal.