

Proposed Changes to the University Council Bylaws

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Rationale: The proposed changes clarify for the members of the University Council the process by which they will be informed of any veto to a measure approved by the UC but vetoed by either the President or the Board of Regents.

UGA University Council Bylaws

Part I-General Procedures of University Council IV Meetings

L. All actions of the University Council are subject to the approval of the President of the University. Actions of the University Council will be deemed approved unless the President vetoes such actions within four weeks. A veto shall be in writing and delivered to the Chair of the Executive Committee. **Upon receipt of notification by the President, the Chair shall report any Presidential veto to the University Council at its next meeting. Upon receipt of notification by the President, the Chair also shall report to the University Council at its next meeting any University Council motion approved by the President but vetoed by the USG Board of Regents.** The University Council, by majority vote taken prior to the end of the subsequent academic semester (excluding summer semester), may direct the Executive Committee to appeal a veto to the Board of Regents.

Part III-Standing Committees: Membership, Functions, and Duties

I. University Council Executive Committee

A. Membership

Executive Committee Chair: The Chair of the Executive Committee shall be the immediate past Chair-Elect of the Executive Committee. Each year the Executive Committee shall choose a new Chair-Elect from among the elected faculty members of the Committee who have at least one year of previous service on the Executive Committee (which could be from a previous term) and at least two years remaining on their committee term. The Chair shall serve as Grand Marshal of the University, shall represent the faculty of the University on external bodies that require representation of Faculty Senate Leaders, and shall be an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association and an ex-officio voting trustee of the University of Georgia Foundation. With the advice of the members of the Executive Committee, the Chair shall constitute and charge any ad hoc committees approved by the Council. **Upon receipt of notification by the President, the Chair shall report any Presidential veto to the University Council at its next meeting. Upon receipt of notification by the President, the Chair also shall report to the University Council at its next meeting any University Council motion approved by the President but**

vetoed by the USG Board of Regents. The Chair shall call an orientation meeting of chairs of all University Council standing committees prior to or during the first week of Fall Semester.

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