At 4:00 pm on October 1, 2018 the committee on Statues, Bylaws, and Committees meet. The main purpose of the meeting was to entertain a number of proposals to bring the bylaws and statues up to date. The following are a summary of the changes put forth to the executive committee of university council:

1. Due to the addition of the dean of engineering and a couple of other ex-officio appointments over the years, the current number of ex-officios is 34. The current statues cap this at 31. So, the change is to raise the cap to 32, plus a shift of one Vice President and the Vice President of SGA to a non-voting Ex Officio status in order to keep balance on the council. This reduction was modified from an initial first draft to be in line with a recommendation by the President’s Office.

2. Committees have been slimed down in the effort to reflect the changes in student population since 2008 and in order to make them smaller. The latter is an effort to make meeting quorums easier to meet. Last year a number of committees had issues along these lines. The only exception was EAC where Engineering and CAES were given their own representatives. This was in line with the feedback from EAC. Further changes are envisioned for the FAC to address NTT representation and the overall makeup of that committee. However, these changes will be presented in Spring Bylaws and Statues revision. At the EC committee’s request, FAC was exempt from this slim down pending the larger changes envisioned for this committee.

3. Some NTT titles were added to the Program Review Committee Section to ensure that all types of faculty had their top two tiers listed.

4. Movement of the Student Life committee to an adhoc committee with defined membership to be called at the behest of the EC. Given the activity history of the committee due to the numerous avenues SGA and the students at large have for effectively addressing issues, the committee requested this change. However, the EC committee requested additional feedback to the questions posed at the EC meeting. These questions largely revolved around whether the committee could be repurposed.