

Add Sentence to the University Council Bylaws Regarding the Faculty Conference

Proposal: To add a sentence to the description of the Faculty Conference in the University Council Bylaws to elect a chair and secretary at its last meeting of the academic year for the following year.

Rationale: The Faculty Conference, composed of faculty members on University Council who represent all faculty members at UGA, was established in the mid-1980s and is an important forum for the voice of UGA faculty. Prior to its meeting on October 21, 2020, it had not met since 2002-2003. Electing a chair and secretary at its last meeting of the year for the following year can help ensure the continuity of the Conference from year to year.

Information about the Faculty Conference is included in both the University Statutes and the University Council Bylaws as indicated below. The Bylaws include one more sentence than the Statutes. This proposal would add another sentence to the Bylaws.

Faculty Conference from the University Statutes. Article V: The University Council; Section 2: Powers and Jurisdiction; 4. Faculty Conference.

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Faculty Conference from the University Council Bylaws. Part IV. Faculty Conference.

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Revision to the University Council Bylaws, Part IV. Faculty Conference

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