

Statutes and Bylaws Committee
Report

11/28/12

The Statutes and Bylaws Committee of University Council met on October 15th. The committee discussed the President's veto of the amendments to the University Council Bylaws passed by Council in its April meeting. Based on Dr. Adams' letter, the Committee determined that the veto was motivated by only one of the many amendments. Specifically, Dr. Adams rejected the proposed amendment concerning the placement of an agenda item directly on Council agenda via a petition. However, since all amendments were considered as a single item, the veto applied to all of the approved amendments. Therefore, the committee decided to forward the other approved items to Executive Committee for inclusion on the University Council agenda. And the committee elected to seek additional clarification from the Executive Committee about how to handle the issue of petitions.

The Committee forwarded 16 action items to the Executive Committee for consideration. All but one of those are action items included in the Agenda for today's (11/28) Council meeting. The Executive Committee voted to return the remaining item considering the qualifications for service on the University Curriculum Committee to the Statutes and Bylaws Committee with the recommendation that it not receive additional consideration.

Respectfully submitted by

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Chair
Statutes and Bylaws Committee

Summary of Action Items

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Capitalization

The words “Committee” and “Chair” shall be capitalized wherever they are used as proper nouns in the Bylaws.

- Committee -- Council on Intercollegiate Athletics – p. 5
- Committee (twice) Basic Charge to Standing Committees – p. 14 & p. 15
- Chair -- Basic Charge to Standing Committees – p. 14

Executive Committee

Eligibility requirement for chair and Committee duties.

- Chair Eligibility – p. 2
- Confirm (not appoint) PRAC members – p. 3
- Appoint Members to Columns Forum and UGA Retirees – p. 3

Educational Affairs Committee

Update to include College of Engineering

- College of Engineering Representation – p. 8

Faculty Grievance Committee

Clarification of membership requirements.

- Change “faculty” to “members” from membership – p. 10

Standing Committee

Incorporate electronic meeting and posting options.

- Electronic Meetings acceptable – p. 15
- Minutes published electronically – p. 15

General Procedures

Standing committee eligibility and elections.

- Elimination of faculty rank list – p. 15
- Time period for election – p. 17
- Ties – p. 17

Meetings

Eligibility for substitution at Council.

- Substitutes must have same membership – p. 17