

*Committee on Statutes, Bylaws and Committees*  
Committee Report, University Council  
18 March 2010

*From: Bruce Hollett, Chair*

In view of this committee's duty 'to review, at least annually, the Bylaws of the University Council' and with great appreciation from more learned and experienced committee members, we convened in person on August 30<sup>th</sup>, November 16<sup>th</sup> 2009 and February 18<sup>th</sup> 2010 and several times electronically to exchange detailed points of discussion. We have not reported to University Council until now since we sought to clarify and seek consistency in the wording for each Standing Committee Membership and in particular, the election of each Chair. Since some Standing Committees already have the wording for faculty membership as 'Faculty with academic rank', we contemplated similar phraseology for other committees whom we thought had a primarily academic focus or mission. It was this committee's original intent to make the terminology similar for those Standing Committees deemed to fit that academic classification, but we later realized that two years ago, each committee did discuss terminology internally and ultimately promoted separate revisions as signed off by President Adams on April 25<sup>th</sup> 2008. Therefore, this committee proposes the following changes to the Bylaws of the University Council:

1st. To change the name of the Benefits Committee to the *Human Resources* Committee, further, to delete under its membership, the phrase 'from Schools and Colleges', further, to add the Associate Vice President for Human Resources as an administrative position and voting member of that committee, and further to change the wording under the Committee Chair to add the phrase 'and staff' to allow either faculty or staff to be elected each year as Chair.

2nd. We propose under the Committee on Facilities Chair, to delete the word 'six' and add the words 'and staff' members 'of the committee' to again recognize the ability to elect a chair from among both faculty and staff.

3<sup>rd</sup>. To begin the series of proposals under the position as Chair, to add the words 'with academic rank' for the following Standing Committees' as deemed having an academic role or mission: (Remember that the term 'faculty with academic rank' as defined under Part V section IA. of the Bylaws means professor, assistant professor, associate professor and instructor)

IV. Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics

V. Committee on Statutes, Bylaws and Committees

VI. Curriculum Committee

Friendly amendments were proposed and accepted to *not* add these words for

XIV. Strategic Planning Committee

XV. University Libraries Committee

since qualified faculty membership may include someone who does not hold academic rank.

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4<sup>th</sup> To add the words 'with academic rank' to Faculty under membership for Standing Committee XI. Faculty Grievance Committee as already stated for the following Standing Committees:

VIII. Educational Affairs Committee

IX. Faculty Admissions Committee

X. Faculty Affairs Committee

XII. Faculty Post-Tenure Review Appeals Committee

5<sup>th</sup> To propose a word change for Standing Committee XIV. Strategic Planning Committee, under Administration, from The Associate Provost for Strategic Planning to 'Academic' Planning since the previous position has been removed.

Respectfully submitted