Amendment to 8.4 of the Faculty Senate By-Laws-Balloting Procedures

University of Rhode Island Faculty Senate

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March 20, 1974

Dr. Maury Klein
Chairman
Faculty Senate
E. Roosevelt Hall

Dear Maury:

I have enclosed Faculty Senate Bill Number 73-74--33 titled "Amendment to 8. 4 of the Faculty Senate By-Laws Balloting Procedures" with my approval.

Sincerely yours,

William R. Ferrante
Acting President

btc

Enc.
FACULTY SENATE

BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

TO: Acting President Ferrante

FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The Attached BILL, titled Amendment to 8.4 of the Faculty Senate By-Laws - Balloting Procedures, is forwarded for your consideration.

2. The original and two copies for your use are included.

3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on March 14, 1974.

4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Regents, completing the appropriate endorsement below.

5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on April 4, 1974 (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Regents for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Regents, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

March 15, 1974

(signed)

Chairman of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

1. Returned.

2. Approved ______. Disapproved ______.

3. (If approved) In my opinion, transmittal to the Board of Regents is not necessary.

8/20/74

(signed)

President

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ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents.

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.

2. Approved.

(date) President /s/

ENDORSEMENT 2.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: Chairman of the Board of Regents, via the University President.

1. Forwarded.

(date) Office President /s/

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded from the Chairman of the Board of Regents.

(date) President /s/

Original received and forwarded to the Secretary of the Senate and Registrar for filing in the Archives of the University.

(date) Chairman of the Faculty Senate /s/
On March 14, 1974 the Faculty Senate approved the following amended section 8.4 of the By-Laws:

8.4 Secret mail ballots of the General Faculty shall be conducted either to ratify amendments to the Senate Constitution or to recall Senate actions.

They shall be conducted as follows: the secretary of the Senate shall distribute a ballot to every eligible member of the faculty. Two envelopes shall be distributed with the ballot. One envelope shall bear the word BALLOT, and will be used by the faculty member to enclose and seal his ballot. The second envelope shall be used as an outer mailing envelope. In order for a ballot to be valid, it must (1) be returned in the two envelopes as outlined above with the outer envelope signed, and (2) be received by the secretary of the Senate within 15 days after the date on which the ballots were mailed to the faculty by the secretary of the Senate, except that faculty members absent on official business may record their vote by telegram or radio-telegram addressed to the secretary of the Senate, in which case the ballot will not be secret, but it must be recorded within the time limit. The tellers shall validate the eligibility of the voter by the outer signed envelope, and then separate inner sealed envelopes from the outer envelope so that the inner envelopes can no longer be identified with the individual voters before opening the inner envelopes and counting the ballots. The outer envelopes shall be retained separately until the outcome of the referendum shall have been decided. The names of those faculty members who have returned ballots as identified by the signatures on the outer envelopes shall be made available to any interested party during the 15-day voting period. At the end of the 15-day period the ballots shall be counted and the results certified to the President of the University and to the Chairman of the Senate.