Report of the Constitution, By-Laws and University Manual Committee: Amendments to Sections 5.72.10-13, 5.74.10 and 5.81.10 of the University Manual

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Professor A. Lott, Chairman  
Faculty Senate  
E. Roosevelt Hall  
Campus  

Dear Al:  

I have enclosed with my approval Faculty Senate Bills No. 73-74-51, "Report of the Constitution, By-Laws and University Manual Committee: Amendments to Sections 5.72.10-13, 5.74.10 and 5.81.10 of the University Manual" and No. 73-74-53, "Ninetieth Report of the Curricular Affairs Committee: Section III - Report of the Black Studies Program Advisory Committee".

I apologize for the delay in forwarding these bills to your office.

Sincerely,  

William R. Ferrante  
Acting President

WRF/pe

Enc.
TO: Acting President William R. Ferrante

FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The Attached BILL, titled Report of the Constitution, By-Laws and University Manual Committee: Amendments to Sections 5.72.10-13, 5.74.10 and 5.81.10 of the University Manual 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 May 23, 1974 (date)

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 June 13, 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.

   May 24, 1974 (date)             /s/  
   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.

   6/13/74 (date) /s/  
   President

Form Revised 6/71
ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents.

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.

2. Approved.

(date) /s/ President

ENDORSEMENT 2.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

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

1. Forwarded.

(date) /s/ (Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

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

(date) /s/ President

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

(date) /s/ Chairman of the Faculty Senate
5,72,10 University College and General Education Committee. This committee shall: review and make policy recommendations to the Faculty Senate on all matters pertaining to the University College, such as admissions policy, length of time to be spent in the college, advanced standing, transfer students, advisement, and counselling; study and make recommendations to the Faculty Senate regarding the establishment, modification or abolition of General Education requirements for graduation to be applicable to degree candidates; consider other problems pertaining to the General Education program and evaluate the effectiveness of the program; maintain liaison with the Curricular Affairs Committee and the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee for mutual information and joint action, and with the University administration for effective implementation of approved recommendations.

5,72,11 The committee shall comprise four (4) representatives from the College of Arts and Sciences and one from each of the other undergraduate colleges and schools of the University, the Dean of the University College, the Vice President for Academic Affairs or his designated representative, the Vice President for Student Affairs or his designated representative, and two representatives of the student body appointed by the Student Senate. The representatives of the colleges and schools shall be selected for their knowledge of general education and their experience with advising undergraduate students. The faculty members shall be chosen by the Chairman of the Senate and confirmed by the Senate in the same way as other standing committees of the Senate, except that they shall be named from a list of nominees, two of whom shall be provided for each vacancy by the faculty of the college or school being represented, who shall nominate them in a manner to be determined by each college or school faculty. The Chairman of the Senate shall consult with the dean of a college or school before making his final decision. The list of nominees shall be presented to the new Chairman of the Senate when he is elected in the
UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

NOMINATING SLATE FOR 1974-75 FACULTY SENATE:

Chairperson: Albert Lott
              Don Rankin

Vice Chairperson: Marilyn Harlin
                  Roberta Tutt

Executive Committee:

2 year terms: James Bergan
              Patricia Helms

(2) 1 year terms: Frank Carrano
                 Charles T. Schmidt
                 Irving Spaulding
                 Thomas Towers

Judith Anderson, Chairperson
Richard Hull
John W. Hanke
5.72.12 The chairman and vice chairman shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Senate and approved by the Senate. The terms of the chairman and vice chairman shall be for two (2) years. Terms of faculty members shall be for three years, with approximately one-third expiring each year. Terms of student members shall be for one year. Members may succeed themselves once. Members who do not complete their terms shall be replaced for the remainder of their terms following the same procedures outlined in 5.72.11.

5.72.13 Any faculty member or faculty committee is permitted to request, in writing, consideration by the committee of a General Education item provided that the dean of the college and the college curriculum committee receive a copy of the request. Both the dean and the curriculum committee may attach their comments to the request. If the request concerns a specific course, it should be accompanied by a complete course outline.
The Constitution, By-Laws and University Manual Committee

The committee shall review the operation of University governance and propose changes in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Faculty Senate and in the University Manual; review proposals for changes in University governance from whatever source and to make recommendations concerning them to the Faculty Senate and to the Joint Educational Policy Committee; construe the meaning of the Constitution, the By-Laws and the University Manual upon the request of the Senate Chairman or Executive Committee, any Senator or member of the University Faculty, or the President; assure that all duly approved changes are incorporated into the Constitution and By-Laws and into the University Manual, and that no unauthorized changes are made in these instruments; and assure that the language of all duly approved changes is consistent with the style, format and arrangement of the Constitution and By-Laws and of the University Manual.
PROPOSED

5.81.10 The Minorities and Special Groups Committee. This committee shall develop ways of attracting minorities and special groups of students to the University and assist them to become an integral part of the University community; take appropriate action to develop an atmosphere, forum, and vehicle for faculty and University involvement with such students; and coordinate these efforts within the University and with those of other institutions of higher learning.

EXISTING

5.81.10 The Minorities and Special Groups Committee. The purpose of this committee shall be to develop ways of attracting minorities and special groups of students to the University and of assisting them to become an integral part of the University community; to take appropriate action to develop an atmosphere, forum and vehicle for faculty and University involvement with such students; and to coordinate these University efforts with those of other institutions of higher learning.
April 15, 1974

Annual report of the Constitution, By-Laws, and University Manual Committee.

This committee has met sixteen (16) times since the beginning of the academic year.

During that time we have:

(1) Undertaken to rewrite the charges to the Standing Committees of the Senate. To date we have submitted recommendations concerning two of these committees to the Executive Committee for inclusion in a later agenda of the Senate.

(2) Proposed a different method of amending the Constitution of the Senate (Article VII), and a modification of the balloting system on referenda (By-Law, Sec. 8.4).

(3) Proposed a modification of the Executive Committee's responsibility relative to the distribution of agendas in advance of Senate meetings (By-Laws, Sec. 4.14).

(4) Proposed an addition to the Senate By-Laws (Sec. 6.3) designed to clarify procedures to be followed in recommending names for appointment to non-Senate University committees, as well as providing a method of electing someone to serve on those committees for which the Senate is required to name a person.

(5) Received twelve requests for changes in the University Manual; four of which needed to be referred to other committees for resolution of their substantive implications.

(6) Undertaken an over-all editing of the Manual with a view of providing a consistency of language that reflects existing terminology and University practice.

(7) Proposed a citation index be appended to the Manual, starting with this year's changes, to facilitate the search for the legislative sources which substantiate the inclusion of any changes.

We will continue to forward our recommendations for those matters still under consideration.

Donald Bradbury
David Carter
Alan Chadsey
Martin Hynes
Charles Olney
David Shilling
Caroline Stitely, Chairperson
Stephen B. Wood