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BYLAWS OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The University of Maryland, College Park

ARTICLE 1 AUTHORIZATION

- 1.1 These *Bylaws of the University Senate* (hereafter referred to as the *Bylaws*) are adopted according to Article 7 of the *Plan of Organization* (hereafter referred to as the *Plan*), and are subject to amendment as provided for in the *Plan*.

ARTICLE 2 MEMBERSHIP

- 2.1 The members of the Senate are as designated in Article 3 of the *Plan* and further specified in 2.1 and 2.2 below. All elected members are subject to the conditions stated in the *Plan*, including its removal provisions for expulsion, recall, and impeachment (Article 4.10, 4.11, and 5.6 of the *Plan* and Article 2.3 below) below, and to the condition stated in Article 2.3 below.

2.1.a Staff Senators

For the purpose of Senate representation, the Staff Constituency is divided into the following categories. Each category shall elect one Senator from among its ranks for each 200 staff members or major fraction thereof.

1. Executive, Administrative and Managerial Staff
- ~~1-2~~ Professional Staff
- ~~2-3~~ Secretarial and Clerical Staff
- ~~3-4~~ Technical and Para-Professional Staff
- ~~4-5~~ Skilled Crafts
- ~~5-6~~ Service and Maintenance

Exempt staff are in categories 1 and 2; non-exempt staff are in categories 3-6.

- 2.1.b Staff member job categories will not include the category designated for the ~~president~~ President, vice presidents, provosts, and deans if they hold faculty rank.
- 2.1.c Any individual within the faculty member voting constituency cannot be included in the staff member voting constituency or nominated for election as a Senate staff member.
- 2.1.d An ex officio member denoted in the *Plan* (Article 3.6.a.) who is not precluded from staff member categories as noted in Articles 2.1.b and 2.1.c may be elected as a voting member of the Senate by an appropriate constituency.
- 2.1.e As noted in the *Plan* (Article 3.3.c), the term of each ~~staff senator~~ Senator shall be three (3) years. Terms of staff members will be staggered in such a way that for each term, ~~one-third~~ of the total members from a job category are serving the first year of their term. Not every member of a specific job category shall be elected in the same year except in the case that the job categories are redefined by the University or these *Bylaws*. In such a circumstance, at the completion of the election, from those members who were elected:

One-third of the members in a job category who received the lowest number of votes will serve a one-year term,
~~One~~ One-third of the members in a job category who received the second lowest number of votes will serve two-year terms,
~~one~~ One-third of the members in a job category who received the highest number of votes will serve three year-terms.
 A person serving a one-year term is defined not to have served a full term and is eligible for re-election to a full term the following year.

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2.2 Single Member Constituencies

The Senators defined in (a)-(e) below shall be voting members of the Senate. All elections held pursuant to this section shall be organized by the Senate Office.

4-(a) Teaching faculty who are not members of the Faculty Constituency as defined in Section 3.2 of the ~~Plan of Organization~~ shall elect ~~one two (2) Senators, one a from among their ranks part time member and one a full time member of this constituency~~ for a term of one (1) year, renewable for up to three (3) years. When the Senate votes by constituencies, ~~that those~~ Senators shall have the same voting rights as a Faculty Senator.

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2-(b) Research Faculty who are not members of the Faculty Constituency as defined in Section 3.2 of the ~~Plan of Organization~~ Plan shall elect one (1) Senator from among their ranks for a term of one (1) year, renewable for up to three (3) years. When the Senate votes by constituencies, that Senator shall have the same voting rights as a Faculty Senator.

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3-(c) The part-time undergraduate students shall elect one (1) Senator from among their ranks for a term of one (1) year, renewable for up to three (3) years. When the Senate votes by constituencies, that Senator shall have the same voting rights as all other student Senators. A part-time student Senator who changes to full-time status subsequent to election may serve out his/her term.

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4-(d) The contingent staff shall elect one (1) Senator from among their ranks for a term of one (1) year, renewable for up to three (3) years. When the Senate votes by constituencies, that Senator shall have the same voting rights as all other Staff Senators.

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(e) -Emeritus Faculty who are not members of the Faculty Constituency as defined in Section 3.2 of the ~~Plan of Organization~~ Plan shall elect one (1) Senator from among their ranks for a term of one (1) year, renewable for up to three (3) years. When the Senate votes by constituencies, that Senator shall have the same voting rights as a Faculty Senator.

2.3 If any elected ~~senator~~ Senator is absent from two (2) consecutive regularly scheduled meetings of the Senate without prior approval from the Office of the University Senate (~~Article 4.10.a of the Plan~~), ~~Plan, Article 4.10.a~~, the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall notify the constituency of this fact. Also in accordance with Article 4.9 and 4.10 of the Plan, ~~Until the member attends a meeting of the Senate, or the senator~~ Senator is expelled, (~~Plan, Article 4.10~~) and replaced (~~Plan, Article 4.9~~), that ~~senator~~ Senator shall be counted in the total membership when a quorum is defined for a meeting.

ARTICLE 3 MEETINGS

3.1 Regular Meetings:

The Senate shall schedule at least four (4) regular meetings each semester. The notice, agenda, and supporting documents shall be mailed, by campus or electronic-mail, from the Senate Office to the membership no later than one calendar week prior to each regular meeting unless otherwise approved by the Executive Committee.

3.2 Special Meetings:

3.2.a Special meetings of the Senate may be called in any of the following ways, with the matter(s) to be considered to be specified in the call:

- (1) ~~by~~ By the presiding officer of the Senate;
- (2) ~~by~~ By a majority vote of the Executive Committee of the Senate;
- (3) ~~by~~ By written petition of a majority of the elected members of the Senate. The petition shall be delivered to the Chair or the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director of the

- Senate. The Chair shall give notice of arrangements for the meeting within seventy-two (72) hours of receipt of a valid petition; and
- (4) ~~by~~ By resolution of the Senate.

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- 3.2.b The notice of a special meeting shall include the agenda and shall be sent to the members of the Senate as far in advance of the meeting as possible. The agenda of a special meeting may specify a scheduled time of adjournment and provide information on adjourned meetings.
- 3.2.c The scheduling of a special meeting shall reflect the urgency of the matter(s) specified in the call, the requirement of reasonable notice, and the availability of the membership.

3.3 Openness of Meetings and Floor Privileges:

- 3.3.a ~~The m~~ Meetings of the Senate shall be open to all members of the campus community except when the meetings are being conducted in closed session.
- 3.3.b Representatives of the news media shall be admitted to all meetings of the Senate except when the meetings are conducted in closed session. The use of television, video, or recording equipment shall not be permitted except by express consent of the Senate.
- 3.3.c When a report of a committee of the Senate is being considered, members of that committee who are not members of the Senate may sit with the Senate and have a voice but not a vote in the deliberations of the Senate on that report.
- 3.3.d Any Senator may request the privilege of the floor for any member of the campus community to speak on the subject before the Senate. The Chair shall rule on such requests.
- 3.3.e By vote of the Senate, by ruling of the Chair, or by order of the Executive Committee included in the agenda of the meeting, the Senate shall go into closed session. The ruling of the Chair and the order of the Executive Committee shall be subject to appeal, but the Chair shall determine whether such appeal shall be considered in open or closed session.
- 3.3.f While in closed session, the meeting shall be restricted to voting members of the Senate (Article 3 in the Plan), ~~Plan, Article 3~~, to members granted a voice but not a vote (Articles 3.6 and 5.2.c of the Plan, Articles 3.3.c3.6 and 2.c3.5), to the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director, to the parliamentarian and any staff required for keeping minutes and ~~tape audio~~ recordings, and to other persons expressly invited by the Senate.

3.4 Rules for Procedure:

- 3.4.a The version of *Robert's Rules of Order* that shall govern the conduct of Senate meetings shall be *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*.
- 3.4.b A quorum for meetings shall be defined as a majority of elected senators ~~Senators~~ who have not received prior approval for absence from the Office of the University Senate, or fifty (50) senators ~~Senators~~, whichever number is higher. For the purpose of determining a quorum, ex officio members with or without vote shall not be considered.

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ARTICLE 4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

4.1 Membership and Election:

- 4.1.a As set forth in the *Plan* (Article 8.2), the members of the Executive Committee shall include the Chair and Chair-Elect of the Senate, and thirteen (13) ~~(12)~~ members elected from the voting membership of the Senate. One of the two staff members shall be elected by and from the Senators representing exempt staff, and the other shall be elected by and from the Senators representing nonexempt staff.
- 4.1.b Non-voting members of the Executive Committee shall be the President and the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost or their representatives; ~~and the Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director of the Senate, who shall be secretary of the

Executive Committee, and the Parliamentarian.

4.1.c The election of the Executive Committee shall be scheduled as a special order at the transitional meeting of the Senate in the Spring Semester, but in no case shall it precede the election of the Chair-Elect as provided for in the *Plan* (Article 5.3). In the event of a tie

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vote in the election for members of the Executive Committee, a ballot will be mailed to each senator-Senator as soon as the votes are counted and the tie discovered. Ballots are to be returned within one (1) week from the date mailed.

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4.1.d In the event of a vacancy on the Executive Committee, the available candidate who had received the next highest number of votes in the annual election for the Executive Committee, subject to provisions in the *Plan* (Article 8) shall fill the remainder of the un-expired term.

4.2 Charge: The Executive Committee shall exercise the following functions:

(1) ~~4.2.a assist~~ Assist in carrying into effect the actions of the Senate;

(2) ~~4.2.b act~~ Act for the Senate as provided for by and subject to the limitations stated in Article 4.3;

(3) ~~4.2.c act~~ Act as an initiating body suggesting possible action by the Senate;

(4) ~~4.2.d review~~ Review and report to the Senate on administrative implementation of policies adopted by the Senate;

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(5) ~~4.2.e prepare~~ Prepare the agenda for each Senate meeting as provided for by and subject to limitations stated in Article 4.4;

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(6) ~~4.2.f serve~~ Serve as a channel through which any member of the campus community may introduce matters for consideration by the Senate or its committees;

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(7) ~~4.2.g prepare~~ Prepare and submit reports on the Senate's work to the President and the campus community;

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(8) ~~4.2.h review~~ Review the operations of the Office of the University Senate in January of each year, and make recommendations to the President for improvements in those operations and for the replacement or continuation of the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director;

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(9) ~~4.2.i serve~~ Serve as the channel through which the Senate and the campus community may participate in the selection of officers of the campus and the University;

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(10) ~~4.2.j perform~~ Perform such other functions as may be given it in other provisions of these Bylaws and the *Plan*; and

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(11) ~~4.2.k conduct~~ Conduct elections, by senators-Senators representing faculty constituencies, for membership on system-wide bodies requiring faculty representatives.

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4.3 Rules Governing Executive Committee Action for the Senate:

4.3.a Where time or the availability of the membership precludes a meeting of the Senate, as, for example, during the summer or between semesters, the Executive Committee may act for the Senate.

4.3.b A report of all actions taken by the Executive Committee when acting for the Senate, with supporting material, shall be included with the agenda of the next regular meeting of the Senate. By written request of ten (10) senators-Senators, senators, received by the Chair of the Senate prior to the call to order of that meeting, any Executive Committee action on behalf of the Senate shall be vacated and the item in question placed on the agenda as a special order. If any such item is not petitioned to the floor, it shall stand as an approved action of the Senate.

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4.4 Rules Governing Preparation of the Senate Agenda:

4.4.a The order of business for regular meetings shall be as follows:

- (1) ~~call~~ Call to order;
- (2) ~~approval~~ Approval of the minutes of the previous regular meeting and any other intervening special meeting(s);
- (3) ~~report~~ Report of the Chair;
- (4) ~~report~~ Report of the Executive Committee;
- (5) ~~special~~ Special orders of the day;
- (6) ~~unfinished~~ Unfinished business;
- (7) ~~reports~~ Reports of committees;
- (8) ~~other~~ Other new business; and
- (9) ~~adjournment~~ Adjournment.

4.4.b For regular meetings the Executive Committee shall consider all submissions for inclusion on the Senate agenda. The Executive Committee may not alter a submission, but may delay its inclusion, may include it on the agenda of a special meeting, may submit the material directly to a committee of the Senate, or may refuse to place it on the agenda if, the material is inappropriate, incomplete, or unclear. The party making a submission shall be notified of the action taken in this regard by the Executive Committee.

4.4.c The order of business for a special meeting shall be as follows:

- (1) ~~call~~ Call to order;
- (2) ~~statement~~ Statement by the Chair of the nature and origin of the call of the meeting;
- (3) ~~the~~ The special order;
- (4) ~~other~~ Other business as determined by the Executive Committee; and
- (5) ~~adjournment~~ Adjournment.

4.4.d For a special meeting the agenda shall include the matter(s) specified in the call of that meeting as the Special Order. Other items may be included on the agenda as the Executive Committee deems appropriate.

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4.5 Meetings of the Executive Committee: A quorum of the Executive Committee shall be seven (7) voting members. Minutes of the meetings shall be kept, and ~~submitted as part of the~~ A report of the Executive Committee ~~shall be submitted~~ to the next regular meeting of the Senate. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the Chair or by petition of seven (7) voting members of the Executive Committee, or by petition of twenty-five (25) voting members of the Senate.

4.6 The Senate Budget: ~~The Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall be responsible for the Senate budget, shall consult with the Executive Committee on the preparation of the budget request, and shall report to the Executive Committee the funds received. ~~The Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall make an annual report to the Senate on expenditure of the Senate budget. Consent of the Executive Committee shall be required before any change in the budgeted use of Senate funds involving more than ten percent (10%) of the total may be undertaken.

4.7 Referral of items ~~Items~~ to Standing Committees: The Executive Committee shall refer items to the standing committees.

- 4.7.a The Executive Committee shall refer an item to an appropriate committee when instructed by the Senate or when requested by the President, or when petitioned by 150 members of the Senate electorate.
- 4.7.b The Executive Committee may also refer any item it deems appropriate, and the standing committee shall give due consideration to such requests from the Executive Committee.
- 4.7.c The Chair of the Senate may, as need requires, act for the Executive Committee and refer items to standing committees. All such actions shall be reported at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.
- 4.8 To the extent permitted by law and University policy, the records of the Senate shall be open.

ARTICLE 5 COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE

- 5.1 **Standing Committees - Specifications:** The specifications of each standing committee of the Senate shall state its name, its specific charge, and any exceptions or additions to the basic charge to standing committees stated in Article 5.2. The specifications shall list all voting ex officio members and may restrict committee composition.
- 5.1.a **General Standing Committees:** In an appropriate section of Article 6 there shall be specifications for each general committee. ~~These specifications must provide voting membership on the general committee for the presiding officers of all adjunct committees specified by the subsections of that section.~~
- 5.1.b ~~Adjunct Standing Committees: In an appropriate subsection of the Article 6 there shall be the specifications for each adjunct committee. The adjunct committee's responsibilities to the general committee shall be detailed therein as well as in Article 5.4.~~
- 5.2 **Standing Committees - Basic Charge:** In its area of responsibility, as defined in its specifications, each committee shall be an arm of the Senate with the following powers:
- (1) ~~to~~ To formulate and review policies to be established by the Senate according to the *Plan* (Article 1);
 - (2) ~~to~~ To review established policies and their administration and to recommend any changes in policies or their administration that may be desirable;
 - (3) ~~to~~ To serve in an advisory capacity, upon request, regarding the administration of policies;
 - (4) ~~to~~ To function on request of the President or of the Executive Committee as a ~~Board~~ board of ~~Appeal~~ appeal with reference to actions and/or decisions made in the application of policies; and
 - (5) ~~to~~ To recommend the creation of special subcommittees (Article 5.8) when deemed necessary.
- 5.3 **Standing Committees - General Committee Operation:**
- 5.3.a **Agenda Determination:**
- (1) Nonprocedural items shall be placed on the agenda of a general committee by vote of that committee, by referral from the Executive Committee (Article 4.7), or by referral of policy recommendations ~~(Article 5.3.b)~~. The committee shall determine the priorities of its agenda items. ~~However, referrals from the adjunct committees must be dealt with promptly, and the Senate, by resolution, may call for a report on a specified item at a specified meeting.~~
 - (2) A general committee shall have principal responsibility for identifying matters of present and potential concern to the campus community within its area of responsibility. Such matters

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should be placed on the agenda of the general committee or referred to the appropriate associated adjunct committee.

~~5.3.b Role in Policy Recommendations: Any recommendations to the Senate for the establishment of a new policy or for the revision of an existing policy which originates in an adjunct committee shall be referred to the associated general committee for review and approval prior to submission to the Senate. Substantive changes in the recommendation may not be made by the general committee. Instead, the general committee shall send its suggestions on the recommendation back to the adjunct committee for its consideration.~~

~~5.3.eb Rules for Procedure of Standing Committees: The version of Robert's Rules of Order that shall govern the conduct of Standing Committees shall be Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.~~

~~5.4 Standing Committees - Adjunct Committee Operation:~~

~~5.4.a Agenda Determination: Nonprocedural items shall be placed on the agenda of an adjunct committee by vote of that committee, by referral from the Executive Committee (Article 4.7), or by referral from its associated general committee. The adjunct committee shall determine the priorities of its agenda items. However, the Senate, the Executive Committee, or the associated general committee, by resolution, may call for a report on a specified item at a specified meeting.~~

~~5.4.b Role in Policy Recommendations: As provided in Article 5.3.b, all policy recommendations originating in an adjunct committee shall be referred to the associated general committee for review and approval prior to submission to the Senate. In the event that the adjunct committee feels that this requirement cannot be met because of an impasse with the general committee on the recommendation, the adjunct committee may submit its recommendation to the Executive Committee for inclusion on the Senate's agenda. If the Executive Committee determines that the impasse is unresolvable, it shall include the matter on the agenda, noting its extraordinary nature.~~

~~5.4.c Advisory Role: Adjunct committees may, from time to time, serve in an advisory capacity to a particular office. Requests that such committees serve in this capacity may be initiated by the office in question through the Executive Committee, or may be mandated by the Executive Committee either on its own initiative or at the request of the President or one of the Vice Presidents. The associated general committee shall be informed of such actions.~~

~~5.4.d Inactive Status: Subject to confirmation by the Senate, the Executive Committee may place an adjunct committee on inactive status and appoint no presiding officer or members if no agenda has existed for the committee to consider during the most recent academic year as evidenced in the adjunct committee's annual report (Article 5.5.c). To permit such inactivation the adjunct committee itself and the Executive Committee must both recommend inactive status.~~

~~5.4.e Reactivation: An adjunct committee will be reactivated at any time by the Executive Committee when matters within its specifications, as outlined in Article 6, are referred by the Senate or by the Executive Committee. A special committee (Article 5.9) may not be appointed to consider matters within adjunct committee specifications (Article 6) in lieu of reactivating an inactive adjunct committee.~~

~~5.54 Standing Committees - Reporting Responsibilities: Each committee shall be responsible through its presiding officer for the timely delivery of the following reports.~~

~~5.54.a The Executive Secretary/Executive Secretary and Director shall receive an announcement of each meeting of the committee stating the time and place of the meeting with agenda items. It shall be sent as far in advance of the meeting as possible.~~

~~5.54.b The committee shall report its progress on agenda items as required by the Executive Secretary/Executive Secretary and Director or the Chair of the Senate.~~

5.54.c Reports providing information and/or recommendations to the Senate shall be submitted to the Executive Committee for inclusion on the Senate agenda. Reports resulting from the committee's advisory or board of appeals function shall be submitted to the appropriate Senate or campus officer, and the Executive Committee notified of the submission.

5.54.d Upon written request of at least four (4) members of a committee, the presiding officer of that committee shall include a minority statement with any committee report. Those requesting inclusion need not support the substance of the minority statement.

5.54.e An annual report shall be presented to the Chair of the Senate at the end of the academic year, or, if approved by the Chair, no later than August 16, for submission to the Senate. The report shall include a list of all items placed on the committee's agenda, noting the disposition of each. In the case of committees with little activity, the committee may recommend inactive status the ensuing year. (Article 5.4.d).

5.65 **Standing Committees - Selecting Members:** Persons shall be named to standing committees in accordance with the procedures listed below.

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5.65.a The Committee on Committees, through the Senate office, shall maintain a database of the qualifications, preferred committees, and past committee service of members of the Senate electorate. Opportunity to update this database shall be provided annually. In the case of students, new information will be solicited through the most practical means. In the case of staff and faculty, current information will be forwarded with a request that the elector update the information. In conjunction with this annual update, the Senate office shall circulate prepared information on the duties, powers, and membership specifications of each committee and council to each unit, to all new electors, and to students requesting the information. Notice of the availability of this information in the unit will accompany the solicitation of update.

5.65.b The Committee on Committees shall submit nominations as necessary to maintain full and effective committee membership. No person shall be nominated for a committee position without consenting to serve on that committee, either through indicated preference or explicit agreement. In making nominations, the Committee on Committees shall keep in view the continuing membership of the committee to ensure that the full membership complies with specifications of the *Plan* and these *Bylaws*. Committee members shall be nominated consistent with requirements for diversity specified in Section 8.1 of the *Plan*.

5.65.c Ex officio members named in a committee's specifications shall be voting members unless otherwise specified in the *Bylaws*. Upon recommendation of the Committee on Committees, the Executive Committee may appoint ex officio members with particular expertise or benefit to the committee. Such members shall serve with voice, but without vote. The Executive Committee is empowered to make such changes in non-voting ex officio membership as appropriate.

5.65.d The Committee on Committees shall forward nominations to the Executive Committee to place on the Senate agenda for approval. Each nominee shall be identified by name, constituency, and Senate committee experience. The notice of nomination shall also include the name and constituency of continuing members of the committee, and the name and office of the current ex officio members, listed for information only. The nominations shall be subject to action by the Senate consistent with the *Plan* and the specifications of these *Bylaws*.

5.65.e Terms on standing committees shall be two (2) years for faculty and staff, and one (1) year for students. Appointments to two-year terms shall be staggered: that is, as far as practical, half of the terms from each faculty or staff constituency shall expire each year. Terms shall begin on the date of the transitional meeting of the Senate in the appropriate year.

5.65.f A member of a standing committee whose term is expiring may be appointed to another term, subject to restrictions (i) and (ii) below. The Committee on Committees is particularly charged to consider the reappointment of active student members.

e.(i) No reappointment shall be made that would cause the appointee to serve longer than four consecutive years on the same committee.

(ii.) At most, half of the non-student members of a committee whose terms are expiring in any given year may be reappointed.

5.65.g Terms as presiding officer of a committee shall be one year. A presiding officer may be reappointed if his/-or-her tenure as a committee member is continuing; however, no one shall serve as presiding officer of a committee for more than two (2) consecutive years. ~~Terms as presiding officer shall begin with the transitional meeting of the Senate.~~

5.65.h Appointments of the presiding officers of committees ~~and appointments to terms commencing at the annual transitional meeting of the Senate shall be designated as the annual committee slate and shall be approved by the Senate at and during the appropriate meeting, each Spring.~~ Appointments to un-expired terms shall be for the remainder of the un-expired term and shall be acted upon by the Senate as placed on the agenda by the Executive Committee.

5.76 ~~Standing Committees - Replacing Presiding Officers and Members:~~ The presiding officer and members of any active standing committee may be replaced for cause after inquiry by the Executive Committee, subject to ~~confirmation approval~~ by the Senate (see Article 5.76.c).

5.76.a Cause, for presiding officers, is defined as the following:

- (1) ~~failure~~ Failure to activate the committee during the first semester after appointment in order to organize its business and determine an agenda; or
- (2) ~~failure~~ Failure to activate the committee in order to respond to communications referred from the Executive Committee; or
- (3) ~~failure~~ Failure to activate the committee in order to carry out specific charges required in Article 6 or other Senate documents.

5.76.b Cause, for members, is defined as the following:

- (1) ~~continual~~ Continual absence from committee meetings and/or lack of participation in committee activities; or
- (2) ~~lack~~ Lack of registration on campus for students or termination of employment on campus for faculty and staff.

5.76.c Procedure for replacing presiding officers and members:

- (1) The decision to replace a presiding officer rests with the Executive Committee; and
- (2) ~~requests~~ Requests for replacing a committee member shall be submitted by the presiding officer of a committee to the Executive Committee; such requests will contain a statement citing the appropriate "cause." "cause".

5.6.d (3) When the Executive Committee decides to replace a presiding officer or committee member, it shall request the Committee on Committees to identify a suitable replacement.

5.87 **Standing Committees - Appointing Special Subcommittees:** A standing committee of the Senate may appoint special subcommittees to assist in the effective performance of its responsibilities. Persons appointed to special subcommittees who are not members of standing committees must be approved by the Executive Committee. The Chair of any special subcommittee must be a member of the standing committee making the appointment.

5.98 **Special Committees:** A special committee of the Senate may be established by resolution of the Senate to carry out a specified task. The empowering resolution shall also stipulate the means of selecting the committee and any restrictions on its composition. The committee shall function until the completion of its tasks or until discharged by the Senate. A final report of its work shall be presented to the Senate. Members shall serve for the duration of the committee unless otherwise ~~provided~~ specified by the Senate.

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**ARTICLE 6
STANDING COMMITTEE SPECIFICATIONS**

6.1 Academic Procedures and Standards Committee:

- 6.1.a Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer; ten (10) faculty members; three (3) undergraduate and two (2) graduate students; and the following persons or a representative of each: the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Director of Undergraduate Admissions, and the Administrative Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Deans for of Undergraduate and Graduate Studies and the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate School.
- 6.1.b Charge: The committee shall formulate and continually review policies, rules, and regulations governing the admission, readmission, scholastic-academic standing, and dismissal of all students for academic-scholastic-academic deficiency.
- 6.1.c Charge: The committee shall formulate and continually review policies and procedures for academic advisement, scheduling of classes, and registration.
- 6.1.d Charge: The committee shall formulate and continually review policies to be observed by the instructional staff in conducting classes, seminars, examinations, students' research, and student evaluations.
- 6.1.e Policies, rules, and regulations exclusively governing admission, readmission, scholastic standing, and dismissal of graduate students for academic deficiency shall be reviewed by an appropriate committee of the Graduate School. Such policies, rules, and regulations will be transmitted by the Graduate School directly to the Senate through the Executive Committee, by the Graduate School. Policies, rules, and regulations that concern both graduate and undergraduate matters shall be considered by both the Educational Affairs Committee and the appropriate committee of the Graduate School.

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6.2 Campus Affairs Committee:

6.2.a6-2a Membership:

(1) The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer the presiding officers of the associated adjunct committees; six (6) faculty members; two (2) undergraduate and two (2) graduate students; two (2) staff members; the President or a representative of the Student Government Association; the President of the Graduate Student Government or the President's graduate student designee; and the following persons or a representative of each: the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Vice President for Administrative Affairs, the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Vice President for University Relations, and the Director of Human Relations Programs.

(2) When discussions of safety are on the agenda, the Chief of Police, the President's Legal Office, the Director of Transportation Services, and other campus constituencies, as appropriate, shall be invited to participate or send a representative.

(3) The Chair of this committee or a member designated by the Chair and approved by the Senate Executive Committee will serve as an ex officio member of the Athletic Council and the Campus Transportation Advisory Committee.

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6.2.b6-2b Charge:

The committee shall formulate and continually review policies and regulations affecting the total campus, its functions, its facilities, its internal operation and external relationships, including the awarding of campus prizes and honors, and make recommendations concerning the future of the campus.

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6.2.c6-2c Charge:

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~~Charge: The committee shall establish procedures for the periodic review of campus level administrators.~~

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6.2.d6-2d Charge:

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~~The Committee committee shall gather community input on safety and security issues and shall act as a liaison between the police and the campus community. The committee shall provide an annual report to the Senate regarding this charge.~~

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6.3 Committee on Committees:

6.3.a Membership and terms:

- (1) As set forth in the *Plan* (Article 8.3.a), the Committee on Committees shall be chaired by the Chair-Elect of the Senate.
- (2) Besides the Chair-Elect of the Senate, the voting membership, as defined in the *Plan* (Article 8.3.a), shall consist of six (6) faculty members, with no more than one (1) from any college, elected by faculty Senators; two (2) staff members elected by staff Senators; and two (2) students elected by student Senators, ~~all elected from the voting membership of the Senate.~~
- (3) Students are elected to serve for one (1) year, faculty and staff for two (2) years, whether or not their membership in the Senate continues beyond their first year of service in the committee.
- (4) Terms of faculty and staff members are staggered in such a way that, at any time, no more than three (3) faculty members and one (1) staff member are serving the second year of their term.
- (5) In the event of a vacancy on the Committee on Committees, the available candidate who had received the next highest number of votes in the last annual election for the Committee on Committees, subject to provisions in 6.3.a (2) ~~above~~, shall fill the remainder of the un-expired term.

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6.3.b Charge:

- (1) As set forth in the *Plan* (Article 8.3.b), responsibilities of the Committee on Committees include:
 - (a) ~~identification~~ Identification and recruitment of individuals for service on Senate committees,
 - (b) ~~identification~~ Identification and recruitment of individuals to serve as representatives of the Senate on University committees.
 - (c) Identification and recruitment of individuals to serve as representatives of the Senate on University committees.
- (2) Additional duties include
 - (a) ~~identification~~ Identification of individuals for service on System committees,
 - ~~(b) ongoing~~ Ongoing assessment of the effectiveness of committees, and recommendation for improvements and changes in ~~committee~~ the operations and structure of the Elections, Representation and Governance Committee and ~~to the~~ Executive Committee.

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6.3.c Operation: The Committee on Committees shall follow the procedures specified for standing committees in Article 5 ~~below~~, with the exception of 5.65 ~~and~~ 5.7.

6.4 Core Liberal Arts and Sciences Program (CORE) Committee:

6.4.a Membership: The committee shall consist of:

- (1) ~~an~~ An appointed presiding officer;
- (2) ~~one~~ One (1) faculty representative from each of the following colleges: Arts and Humanities; Behavioral and Social Sciences; Computer, Mathematical and Physical Sciences; and Chemical and Life Sciences;
- (3) ~~one~~ One (1) faculty representative rotated from one of the following: Education; Architecture, Planning, and Preservation; the Robert H. Smith School of Business and Management; and Health and Human Performance Public Health;
- (4) ~~one~~ One (1) faculty representative rotated from among the following colleges: Agriculture and Natural Resources; the Merrill School of Journalism; and the A. James Clark School of Engineering;
- (5) ~~and~~ And two (2) students.
- (6) The Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean of Undergraduate Studies and the Director of the University Honors Program (or their designees) and the Director of CORE Planning and Implementation shall serve as ex officio members of the committee.

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6.4.b Charge: The committee shall exercise continuing supervisory authority and general oversight ~~over~~ of the Core Liberal Arts and Sciences Program at UMCP. Its authority includes, but is not limited to, evaluation, selection, and oversight of courses which satisfy fundamental studies, distributive studies, advanced studies, cultural diversity, capstone, and freshman seminar requirements as mandated by the report on undergraduate education entitled *Promises to Keep: The College Park Plan for Undergraduate Education*, (Pease Report), adopted by the College Park Senate in March 1988. It shall also make periodic reports to the Senate on its evaluation of the effectiveness of the program and make any recommendations for revision or improvements it deems appropriate.

6.4.c The committee shall, under the provisions of Section 5.87, establish subcommittees for each major segment of its work. A member of the CORE Committee shall serve as the presiding officer of each subcommittee. The other members may, but need not, be members of the CORE Committee as the CORE Committee and the Executive Committee deem appropriate.

6.5 Educational Affairs Committee:

6.5.a Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer; twelve (12) faculty members; two (2) staff members; two (2) undergraduate students and one (1) graduate student; the President or a representative of the Student Government Association; the President of the Graduate Student Government or the President's graduate student designee; and the following persons or a representative of each: ~~The~~ the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Director of Honors, and the Administrative Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Deans of Undergraduate Studies and the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate Studies School. The presiding officers of the Program, Curricula and Courses (PCC) and the CORE Liberal Arts & Sciences (CORE) Committees shall be non-voting, ex officio members.

6.5.b Charge: ~~The Committee~~ committee shall formulate and continually review plans and policies to strengthen the educational system of the College Park ~~Campus~~ campus. The committee shall receive ideas, recommendations, and plans for educational innovations from members of the campus community and others. The committee shall inform itself of conditions in the colleges, schools, and other academic units, and shall propose measures to make effective use of the resources of the campus for educational purposes

6.6 Elections, Representation and Governance Committee:

6.6.a Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer; seven (7) faculty members; two (2) staff members; two (2) undergraduate and two (2) graduate

students; and the Director of ~~Personnel~~ Human Resources and the ~~Assistant Vice President for Institutional Research and Planning~~ Associate Vice President for Institutional Research, Planning, and Assessment.

- 6.6.b Charge: The committee shall review and recommend policies regarding the conduct of elections, determine correct apportionments for all constituencies, and investigate and adjudicate all charges arising from the management and results of Senate elections.
- 6.6.c Charge: The committee shall determine the correct apportionment for all constituencies every five (5) years in association with any review or revision of the ~~Senate's Plan of Organization (Plan, (Articles 3.8 and 6.3 of the Plan))~~.
- 6.6.d Charge: The committee shall supervise all senatorial ~~Senatorial~~ elections and referenda in accordance with the *Plan* (Article 4.2), and shall cooperate with certain constituencies in their nomination and election processes in accordance with the *Plan* (Article 4.4) or as requested by the Executive Committee.
- 6.6.e Charge: The committee shall establish appropriate procedures for the tallying and reporting of election results (~~Plan, Article 4.8 of the Plan~~), and other such duties as appropriate (see ~~Plan, Articles 3.3.b, and 3.4.b(2) of the Plan~~).
- 6.6.f Charge: The committee shall review the plans of organization of the colleges, schools, and other units, in accordance with the *Plan* (Article ~~11~~, 4.4-2).
- 6.6.g Charge: The committee shall review and observe the operation and effectiveness of the University Senate and make any appropriate recommendations for improvements.
- 6.6.h Charge: The committee shall receive all petitions for impeachment of the Chair or Chair-Elect in accordance with the *Plan* (Article ~~5.6~~, 5-6).
- 6.6.i Charge: The committee shall initiate procedures for expelling ~~senators~~ Senators in accordance with the *Plan* (Article 4.10).
- 6.6.j Charge: The committee shall receive all petitions for the recall of ~~senators~~ Senators in accordance with the *Plan* (Article 4.11).

6.7 Faculty Affairs Committee:

- 6.7.a Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer; ten (10) faculty members, of whom four (4) shall be senators and two (2) must be untenured; one (1) undergraduate student and two (2) graduate students; one (1) staff member; and the following persons or a representative ~~from~~ of each: the President, the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, and the Director of ~~Personnel~~ Human Resources.
- 6.7.b Charge: The committee shall formulate and continually review policies pertaining to faculty life, employment, academic freedom, morale, and ~~prerequisites~~ perquisites.
- 6.7.c Charge: The committee shall work for the advancement of academic freedom and the protection of faculty and research interests.
- 6.7.d Charge: The committee shall, in consultation with colleges, schools, and other academic units, establish procedures for the periodic review of academic administrators below the campus level.

6.8 Governmental Affairs Committee:

- 6.8.a Membership: The committee shall consist of the Chair-Elect of the Senate; the current Chair of the Senate; the immediate past Chair of the Senate; a federal and a state

campus legislative liaison appointed by the President; two (2) faculty members; one (1) undergraduate student; one (1) graduate student; one (1) non-exempt staff member; one (1) exempt staff member; and such additional non-voting, ex officio members as shall be

appointed under Section 5.65.c of these ~~Bylaws of the University Senate~~. Committee members shall not be limited to two consecutive terms as specified in Section 5.65.f(1) of these ~~Bylaws of the University Senate~~. To assure continuity, selection of members should be made in a way that will return at least four (4) of the members of the immediate past committee to the newly appointed committee.

- 6.8.b Charge: The committee shall initiate activities to provide contact with and provide information for executive and legislative bodies; shall serve as an advisory body to the President concerning campus needs requiring legislation; and shall keep the Senate abreast of legislative issues important to the ~~Campus~~campus.

6.9 Human Relations Committee:

- 6.9.a Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer; four (4) undergraduate and two (2) graduate students; six (6) faculty members; three (3) classified employees; the Director of Human Relations; one (1) exempt staff member or a Director from the Office of Academic Affairs; one (1) exempt staff member or a Director from the Office of Administrative Affairs; one (1) exempt staff member or a Director from the Office of Student Affairs; and the following persons or a representative of each: the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Vice President for Administrative Affairs, and the Vice President for Student Affairs.

- 6.9.b Charge: The committee shall carry out its responsibilities as detailed in the ~~Article 1, Section E of the Human Relations Code, University of Maryland, College Park, and recommend any appropriate changes in the code~~Code. It shall consider programs for improving University human relations.

~~6.10 Implementation Committee:~~

- ~~6.10.a Membership: The committee shall consist of the three (3) most recent and available outgoing Senate chairs, one (1) outgoing staff member, one (1) graduate student and one (1) undergraduate student. One of the two students must be a current member of the Senate. The Vice Presidents for Academic Affairs, Administrative Affairs, and Student Affairs, or their designees, shall serve on this committee as ex officio members. The chair of this committee shall be the most recent outgoing Senate Chair, if that person is available. If the outgoing Senate Chair is unavailable to serve as chair of this committee, the chair shall be designated in the same manner as the chairs of other Senate standing committees, but does not need to be a current member of the Senate.~~

- ~~6.10.b Charge: The Implementation Committee shall be responsible for working with the Senate office to maintain a record of the action on and implementation of previously passed Senate actions, and for corresponding with members of the University administration in that regard. The Committee shall report to the Senate Executive Committee at least once each term on the progress toward implementation of Senate actions and may make recommendations for Senate action where appropriate.~~

6.11 Instructional Resources Committee:

- 6.11.a Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer ten (10) faculty members; two (2) professional staff from campus computer facilities; two (2) undergraduate students and one (1) graduate student; and the following persons or a representative of each: the Vice President and Chief Information Officer of the Office of Information Technology, and representatives of other campus committees charged with advisory roles relative to computers and campus, libraries.

6.11.b ~~Charge: The committee shall formulate and continually review policies on all matters pertaining to telecommunications, instructional and research computers, and other instructional aids.~~

6.11.c ~~Charge: The committee shall assist academic units with the development of uses of computers in their courses and curricula.~~

6.426.10 Programs, Curricula and Courses Committee:

6.4210.a ~~Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer; ten (10) faculty members; two (2) undergraduate students and one (1) graduate student; and the following persons or a representative of each: the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean for of Undergraduate Studies, the Vice-President for Research, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate School, and the Dean of Libraries.~~

6.4210.b ~~Charge: The committee shall formulate, review, and make recommendations to the Senate concerning policies related both (1) to the establishment, modification, or discontinuance of academic programs, curricula, and courses; and (2) to the establishment, reorganization, or abolition of colleges, schools, academic departments, or other units that offer credit-bearing programs of instruction or regularly offer courses for credit.~~

6.4210.c ~~Charge: The committee shall review and make recommendations to the Senate in at least the areas designated by (1) through (3) below. Recommendations in these areas are not subject to amendment on the Senate floor unless a detailed objection describing the area of concern has been filed with the Senate Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting at which the recommendations will be introduced. The committee will announce proposed recommendations to the campus community sufficiently in advance of the meeting at which they are to be considered so as to allow time for concerned parties to file their objections.~~

(1) ~~all~~ All proposals for the establishment of a new academic program, for the discontinuance of an existing academic program, for the merger or splitting of existing academic programs, or for the renaming of an existing academic program;

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(2) ~~all~~ All proposals for the creation, abolition, merger, splitting, or change of name of colleges, schools, departments of instruction, or other units that offer credit-bearing programs of instruction or regularly offer courses for credit; and

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(3) ~~all~~ All proposals to reassign existing units or programs to other units or programs.

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6.4210.d ~~Charge: The Committee committee shall review and shall directly advise the Office of Academic Affairs concerning proposals to modify the curricula of existing academic programs, or to establish citation programs consistent with College college rules approved by the Senate. The Committee committee shall inform the Senate of its actions in these cases.~~

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6.4210.e ~~Charge: The Committee committee shall review, establish, and advise the Vice President's Advisory Committee (APAC) concerning policies for adding, deleting, or modifying academic courses.~~

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6.4210.f ~~Charge: The committee shall be especially concerned with the thoroughness and soundness of all proposals, and shall evaluate each according to the mission of the Institution University, the justification for the proposed action, the availability of resources, the appropriateness of the sponsoring group, and the proposal's conformity with existing regulations. The committee shall be informed of any recommendations made by the Academic Planning Advisory Committee (APAC) concerning resource issues, and/or, the consistency of the proposed action with the Institution's University's mission and strategic~~

directions, or both.

6.4210.g The committee shall meet regularly as needed.

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6.4210.h Relation of the Programs, Curricula, and Courses Committee with to the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost.

- (1) The committee, in consultation with the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost's Office, shall determine the requirements for supporting documentation and the procedures for review for all proposals.
- (2) The committee shall be informed by the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost's Office of all proposed modifications to existing programs and curricula. After consulting with the presiding officer of the committee, the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost's Office shall act on all minor changes that are not of a policy nature.
- (3) —The committee shall be informed by the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost's Office of all changes made pursuant to 6.421240.h(2). The committee shall be informed by the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost's Office of all other changes in academic curricula whose approval has been specifically delegated to that office. In particular, this includes the approval to offer existing academic programs through distance education or at a new off-campus location.

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6.4210.i Relationship of the Programs, Curricula, and Courses Committee to the Graduate School: Proposals concerned with graduate programs and curricula shall receive the review specified by the Graduate School, in addition to the review of the Programs, Curricula, and Courses Committee. Any such proposal whose approval has been denied by the Graduate School shall not be considered by the committee.

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6.116-43 Staff Affairs Committee:

6.11.a6-43.a Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer; ten (10) staff members, including a member, preferably a ~~senator~~ Senator, from each of the elected staff categories; three (3) faculty members; two (2) students; the Director of Personnel; and one (1) representative each from the ~~Offices~~ offices of the Senior Vice Presidents for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Vice President for Administrative Affairs, the Vice President for University Relations, and the Vice President for Student Affairs. The elected UMCP representatives to the Council of University System Staff (CUSS), the two staff representatives on the Executive Committee, and two ~~category~~ Category II contingent employees shall also be members of the committee.

6.11.b6-43.b Charge: The committee shall formulate and continually review campus policies affecting staff members, including policies regarding periodic review of campus departments' and administrators that employ staff members.

6.11.c6-43.c Charge: The committee shall assist the Office of the University Senate in soliciting nominations and encouraging participation in elections of staff ~~senators~~ Senators as specified in Article 4.4 of the ~~Plan of Organization for the Campus Community~~.

6.11.d6-43.d Charge: Staff Affairs shall assist the Committee on Committees and the Senate Executive Committee in identifying and recruiting staff representatives for campus and Senate committees, including system-wide activities involving staff.

6.11.e6-43.e Charge: The committee shall actively promote and provide orientation and opportunities for staff involvement in shared governance at every administrative level.

6.126-44 Student Affairs Committee:

6.12.a6-14.a Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer; ten (10) undergraduate students, of whom five (5) must be Senators; ~~senators~~; four (4) graduate students, of whom two (2) must be Senators; ~~senators~~; three (3) faculty members; two (2) staff members; the President or a representative of the Student Government Association; the President of the Graduate Student Government or the President's graduate student designee; two representatives of the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs; and one representative each from the Graduate School and the Offices of Administrative Affairs, Academic Affairs, Institutional Advancement University Relations, and Resident Life.

6.12.b6-14.b Charge: The committee shall formulate and continually review policies regarding all non-academic matters of student life including, but not limited to, student organizations, resident life, extracurricular activities, and student concerns in the campus community.

6.12.c6-14.c Charge: The committee shall assist the Office of the University Senate and the colleges and schools as appropriate in soliciting nominations and encouraging participation in the election of student Senators. ~~senators~~.

6.136-45 Student Conduct Committee:

6.13.a6-45.a Membership: The committee shall consist of an appointed presiding officer ~~officer~~; ~~four (4) faculty members; five (5) students, of whom at least three (3) must be undergraduate students and one (1) must be a graduate student;~~ and the Director of the ~~Judiciary Office~~ Office of Student Conduct, ~~Office~~, or a representative, as a non-voting consulting member.

6.13.b6-45.b Charge: The committee shall formulate and continually review recommendations concerning the rules and codes of student conduct, as well as means ~~of~~ enforcing those rules and codes.

6.13.c6-45.c Charge: The committee ~~may~~ acts as an appellate body for infractions of the approved Codes of Student Conduct and Code of Academic Integrity. Procedures for the committee's operation in this role are to be developed and filed with the Office of ~~Judiciary Programs~~ Student Conduct and the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director of the Senate. The committee ~~also~~ shall also confirm members of all judicial boards listed in the Codes of Student Conduct, except conference and ad hoc boards.

ARTICLE 7 UNIVERSITY COUNCILS

7.1 **Definition:** University councils are established by Article ~~8.48-5~~ of the ~~Plan of Organization~~ to exercise an integrated advisory role over specified campus units and their associated activities. University councils are jointly sponsored by the University Senate, the College Park campus administration, and the chief administrative officer(s) of the designated unit(s) (hereafter indicated by "director"). University councils may be assigned reporting responsibilities to any member(s) of the College Park administration at the ~~Dean-dean~~ level or above (hereafter referred to as the "designated administrative officer").

7.2 **Creation of University Councils:** Proposals to create a ~~university~~ University council shall be evaluated by a task force appointed jointly by the University Senate Executive Committee and the designated administrative officer to whom the new council would report. Following its deliberations, this task force shall present a report to the Senate, the designated administrative officer, and the director of the unit whose activities are the focus of the council. That report shall indicate the specifications ~~which~~ that define the working relationship among the Senate, the designated administrative officer, and the director. The report shall include at least the following: the scope and purpose of the new council; a review of the current committees and advisory relationships to be superseded by the proposed council; identification of the designated

administrative officer and unit director to whom the council reports; the charge to the council; the size, composition, and appointment process of members of the council; the council's relationship to the Senate, the designated administrative officer, and the director including the responsibilities of these three sponsors to the council and the responsibilities of the council to these three sponsors; and principles for operation of the council. The proposal of the task force shall be reviewed by the appropriate Senate committees, approved by the designated administrative officer, and then approved by the Senate. At the same time, the Senate shall approve appropriate revisions in its *Bylaws* to incorporate the council into its committee structure. The report of the task force, as approved, ~~shall become an appendix to these *Bylaws*~~ shall be preserved with official Senate documents, serving as a record of the original agreements establishing the council.

- 7.3 **Specifications in Senate Bylaws:** For each council, Senate bylaws shall: state its name; specify its responsibilities to the Senate; define its membership, including any voting privileges of ex officio members; and identify any exceptions or additions to the provisions of ~~Section Article 7~~ of these *Bylaws* particular to the council.

7.4 **Basic Charge:**

- 7.4.a The council's responsibilities to the University Senate shall include those specified for Senate committees in ~~Section Article 5.2~~ of these *Bylaws*; ~~in addition, each council shall:~~

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- (1) Sponsor hearings, as appropriate, on issues within its purview that are of concern to the Senate and the campus community.
- (2) Provide a mechanism for communication with the campus community on major issues facing the unit and its activities.
- (3) Respond to charges sent to the council by the Senate Executive Committee.
- (4) Provide an annual written report to the Senate on the council's activities including the status of unresolved issues before the ~~Committee~~ committee.

- 7.4.b Responsibilities to the designated administrative officer shall be specified in the Task Force Report and may include:

- (1) To advise on the unit's budget, space, and other material resources; in addition to personnel, staffing and other human resources.
- (2) To advise on the unit's administrative policies and practices.
- (3) To advise on the charges to be given to periodic internal and external review committees.
- (4) To respond to requests for review, analysis, and advice from the designated administrative officer.
- (5) To meet at least annually with the designated administrative officer to review the major issues facing the unit and its activities on campus.
- (6) To fulfill such other responsibilities as specified in the Task Force Report.

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- 7.4.c Responsibilities to the unit's director shall be specified in the Task Force Report and may include:

- (1) To advise on the needs and concerns of the campus community.
- (2) To advise on opportunities, policies, and practices related to the unit's ongoing

operations.

- (3) To review and advise on unit reports, studies, and proposed initiatives.
- (4) To respond to requests for review, analysis, and advice made by the director.
- (5) To meet at least annually with the director to review the major issues facing the unit and its activities on campus.
- (6) To fulfill such other responsibilities as specified in the Task Force Report.

7.5 Membership and Appointment to University Councils:

- 7.5.a Membership: ~~councils-Councils~~ shall have nine ~~(nine) (9)~~ to thirteen (13) members as specified in the appropriate subsection of ~~Section-Article 8~~ of these Bylaws. In addition, each council shall include an ex officio member designated by the administrative officer, and such other ex officio members as specified in the appropriate subsection of ~~Section Article 5~~ of these Bylaws. These ex officio members shall have voice but no vote.
- 7.5.b Appointment: Representatives of the designated administrative officer's office and the Committee on Committees of the University Senate shall agree on nominees for vacancies on the council. These nominations shall be submitted to the designated administrative officer and to the University Senate for approval. In exercising its powers of appointment to the council, the Senate shall follow procedures for review and approval for Senate committee appointments specified in ~~Sections-Article 5.5.d and 5.5.g(5.6-d and 5.6.g)~~ of these Bylaws.
- 7.5.c Terms: Rules governing beginning date and length of terms, and restrictions on reappointment shall be those specified for Senate committees, except that the presiding officer shall serve a three ~~(3)~~ year term and cannot be reappointed.
- 7.5.d Appointment of Presiding Officer: The designated administrative officer and the Senate Executive Committee shall reach an agreement on a presiding officer, and the joint choice shall be submitted to the Senate for approval. If the presiding officer is selected from among the membership of the council, a replacement shall be appointed to the vacated seat.

7.6 Operational Relationship of University Councils to Sponsors:

- 7.6.a The University Senate Office shall support activities of the council in a manner similar to all other Senate committees.
- 7.6.b The office of the designated administrative officer, through its ex officio council member, shall provide liaison to other administrative units as required.
- 7.6.c The unit director shall provide the council with internal data, reports, studies, ~~etc.~~ and any other materials required to support the council's work. In addition, the director shall also arrange for unit staff to appear before the committee as requested.
- 7.6.d Control of the ~~university-University~~ council's agenda shall be the responsibility of the presiding officer of the council and the voting members of the council, subject to the charges provided in ~~Section-Article 7.4~~ of these Bylaws, the appropriate subsection of ~~Section-Article 8-~~ of these Bylaws, and the approved ~~task-Task force-Force report-Report~~ governing the council.
- 7.6.e Each ~~university-University~~ council shall develop its own bylaws which must be approved by the designated administrative officer and by the Senate.
- 7.6.f In addition to the required annual report, the presiding officer shall keep the Chair of the Senate informed of the major issues before the council and shall indicate when action or

information items are likely to be forwarded for Senate consideration. In submitting recommendations for Senate action, the ~~Council~~council shall inform the unit director and the designated administrative officer in advance of its recommendations. For purposes of conducting Senate business, reports from the ~~university~~University council and floor privileges of the Senate shall be managed in the same manner as general committees of the Senate defined in these *Bylaws* (Sections ~~3.3.c, 4.4.b, 4.7, and 5.3.a~~). In the case where the presiding officer of the ~~university~~University council is not a member of the Senate, he or she may report to the Senate and participate in the deliberations of the Senate subject to the provisions of Section ~~Article~~Article 3.3.c of these *Bylaws*.

7.7 Review of University Councils:

- 7.7.a Five (5) years after a ~~university~~University council is formed, a review of the council shall be undertaken jointly by the Senate and administration, and a written report issued. The review may recommend continuation of the council in its original form and mode of operation, modification of the council structure and/or operations, or discontinuance of the council.
- 7.7.b Following the initial review, the ~~university~~University council and its operations shall be reviewed in conjunction with the periodic review of ~~The~~the *College Park Plan of Organization Plan*.

ARTICLE 8 UNIVERSITY COUNCIL SPECIFICATIONS

8.1 ~~Bylaws of the University Library Council~~

8.1.a ~~Charge to the Council:~~ The University Library Council has the responsibility to provide ~~advice about and to report on~~ policy issues concerning the University Libraries to the University Senate, to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, and to the Dean of Libraries. (See Appendix 2 for additional responsibilities and the Council's Bylaws).

8.1.b ~~— The Council's responsibilities to the University Senate:~~

~~Make recommendations for major changes and improvements in policies, operations and services of the libraries that represent the concerns and interests of Senate constituencies as well as other users of the libraries. Such recommendations should specify the resource implications. Reports and recommendations to the University Senate shall be submitted to the Senate Executive Committee for placement on the agenda of the University Senate in the same manner as reports from the Senate's general committees. It is expected that the Council will also inform the Provost in advance of these legislative recommendations. In addition to the mandatory annual report, the chair of the Council shall keep the Chair of the Senate informed of the major issues before the Council and shall indicate when action or information items are likely to be forwarded for Senate consideration.~~

8.1.c ~~Respond to charges sent to the Council by the Senate Executive Committee.~~

~~Provide an annual written report of the Council's activities including the status of recommendations made by the Council each year and of unresolved issues before the Council.~~

8.1.d ~~The Council's responsibilities to the Provost:~~

~~1. Advise on the Libraries' budget, space, personnel and staffing, and other resources. It is expected that the Provost will consult the Council before undertaking major reviews of the Libraries with APAC and before preparing the annual budget for the Libraries.~~

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2. Advise on the Libraries' administrative policies and practices.
 3. Advise on the charges to be given to the committees to review the Dean of Libraries and to conduct the unit review of the University Libraries based on university policy.
 4. Advise on matters concerning the library in conjunction with accreditation review and strategic planning.
 5. Respond to requests for review, analysis, and advice made by the Provost.
 6. Meet at least annually with the Provost to review the major issues facing the Libraries and its activities on campus.
 7. The Council is responsible for informing the Provost of pending reports and recommendations to the University Senate.
- 8.1.e. The Council's responsibilities to the Dean of Libraries:
1. Advise on the needs and concerns of diverse constituencies within the campus community with respect to library policies, services, and new resources and technology.
 2. Advise on strategies to involve library users in the initiation, evaluation, and integration of new library policies, practices, procedures, and technology. Such strategies might include forums for the discussion of changes, workshops for adjusting to new technologies, and ongoing programs of library education.
 3. Advise on operations, policies and new opportunities.
 4. Advise on Library planning including strategic planning and other major plans for Library operation and development.
 5. Review and advise on the Libraries' reports, studies, and proposed initiatives that have significant long-term resource implications for the Libraries.
 6. Hold at least one meeting a year at which the Dean shall review major issues and plans, summarized in a State of the Libraries' report distributed in advance to the Council.
 7. It is expected that the council will adopt a broad-campus perspective and that the Dean of the Libraries will inform the Council of the University Libraries' needs and concerns and seek advice about major modifications of policies and operations affecting the campus community.
- 8.1.f. To fulfill its responsibilities the Council may:
1. Undertake investigative studies in matters concerning the University Libraries and recommend solutions to the University Senate, the Provost, the Dean of Libraries or the general campus community.
 2. Conduct open hearings on major issues concerning the University Libraries and its activities.
 3. Communicate directly with the campus community on concerns related to support for, policies of, and services provided by the University Libraries.

8.1.b Composition of the Council--Membership: The Council shall consist of thirteen (13) appointed members and three (3) ex officio members. The appointed members shall be: the Chair, ten (10) other faculty members including at least one (1) member of the library faculty, a graduate student, and an undergraduate student. The three (3) ex officio members shall be a representative of the office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost's Office, a representative of the Dean of the Libraries Office, and the Vice-Chair-Elect of the Senate.

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8.1.c The Chair shall be a tenured faculty member.

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8.1.d Reporting Responsibilities: The University Library Council shall report to the University Senate and the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost under the terms of responsibility defined in Article 7.4 of these Bylaws.

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8.1.g. Tenure in Office:

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1. The Council Chair should be a tenured faculty member appointed for a single three-year term. Normally the chair shall have served as a member of the Council. If the chair is serving as a regular member of the Council at the time of appointment, a new member shall be appointed to serve the remainder of the term the Chair has vacated. The Provost and the Senate Executive Committee shall reach an agreement on the Council Chair, and the joint choice shall be submitted to the University Senate for its approval.

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2. The remaining ten faculty members shall be appointed for staggered two-year terms. No faculty member shall serve more than two terms consecutively. For this purpose members who have served more than a year should be considered to have served a full term.

3. The two student members shall be appointed for one-year terms. No student member should serve more than two terms consecutively. For this purpose student members who have served more than half their term should be considered to have served a full term.

4. The Provost's Office will appoint a member of the Provost's staff as an ex-officio member of the Council who will have voice but not vote.

5. The Dean of Libraries' Office will appoint an upper level member of the Libraries' administrative staff as an ex-officio member of the Council who will have voice but no vote.

6. The Vice-Chair of the Senate shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Council who will have voice but no vote.

8.1.h. Qualifications of Council Members: Successful operation of the Council requires that the members of the Council understand the nature of the Libraries and represent the best interests of the campus as well as the particular interests of their specific constituencies.

The council members should be chosen from people who can bring a campus wide perspective to their deliberations on Library matters and who have shown interest and willingness to foster a good working relation between the Libraries and its users.

Council members should be selected to represent as broad a range of campus disciplines and interests as possible. Faculty members should include representatives from both the professional and arts and sciences colleges, and within these constituencies, representatives of the arts and humanities, social sciences, and physical and biological sciences.

8.1.i. The Appointment Process: In the spring of the year, the Chair of the ULC shall notify the

Provost's Representative and the Vice Chair of the Senate of the appointments required for the following academic year. The Provost's representative and the Vice Chair of the Senate shall draw up a slate of committee members who will agree to serve and the slate will be submitted to the Provost and the Committee on Committees for approval. The list of nominees for Council membership shall be submitted to the University Senate for approval. Ordinarily the slate will be presented at the same Senate meeting at which other committee slates are approved. Dates of appointment and beginning of terms shall correspond with those of Senate Committees. Replacement of Council members will take place through the same consultative process as the initial appointment with submission of names to the Senate occurring as needed.

~~8.1.j. Operation of the Council: Effective and efficient Council operation will require adequate support and full cooperation among the Senate, the Provost, the Dean, and their offices.~~

- ~~1. The University Senate Office or its designate will provide normal committee support to the Council, including maintenance of mailing lists, reproducing Council documents, keeping a copy of Council minutes, maintaining files for the Council, arranging meeting rooms, etc.~~
- ~~2. The Provost's office, through its ex-officio Council member, will provide liaison to other administrative units, such as the Office of Institutional Research, Planning and Assessment, for their reports, data, or assistance. The Provost's office will also provide website space for the Council.~~
- ~~3. The Dean of the Libraries will provide the Council with internal data, reports, studies, etc. as needed to support the Council's work. The Dean will also arrange for Unit staff to present such testimony concerning such reports, etc., as the Council finds useful in carrying out its responsibilities. The Dean's assistance to the committee shall also include providing the Council members with the opportunity to attend an appropriate orientation session dealing with the Libraries.~~
- ~~4. Control of the Council's agenda will be the responsibility of the Council Chair and the voting members of the Council.~~
- ~~5. While being responsive to the needs of the Provost and the Senate in a timely manner is necessary, the sponsoring parties and the Dean of the Libraries must not attempt to micro-manage the ongoing operation of the Council. In turn the Council must not attempt to micro manage the Libraries.~~
- ~~6. The Council shall meet as necessary, but in no case less than once per semester. Meetings may be called by the Chair. In addition, upon receiving a request of any three members of the Council, the Chair shall call a meeting. A majority of the voting members of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the conducting of official business of the Council.~~

~~8.1.k. Operational Relationship of the Council to its Sponsors:~~

- ~~1. For purposes of University Senate action, a Council created through Senate action will appear in essentially the same role as a general committee of the University Senate.~~
- ~~2. The Chair may present reports and recommendations to the Senate but will not have a vote in Senate proceedings, unless he or she is a member of the Senate.~~
- ~~3. Since the Provost's committees range widely in form and function, and do not operate under a formal plan of organization and bylaws, there is no need to specify the Council's standing in the same fashion. For other purposes, such as APAC review of~~

the Unit, the Council might be consulted like a College Advisory Council (that colleges will have under the shared governance plan) could be.

4. The Dean of Libraries will ordinarily meet with the Council and have a voice in its deliberations. Since one of the three main functions of the Council is to advise the Dean, the Dean shall not formally be a member of the Council. On formal reports and recommendations of the Council to the University Senate or to the Provost, the Dean of the Libraries may send a separate memorandum to the Senate or the Provost, as appropriate, supporting or opposing the report or the recommendations, and providing the rationale for the Dean's position.

Review of the Council: The Council and its operations will be reviewed in conjunction with the periodic review of the Senate and the Plan of Organization.

8.2 University Research Council:

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- 8.2.a Charge: In addition to the charges specified in Articles 5.2 and 7.4 of these *Bylaws*, the Council shall be governed by the following: The Council is charged to formulate and continually review policies regarding research, its funding, its relation to graduate and undergraduate academic degree programs, and its service to the community. Also, the Council is charged to review the research needs of faculty, other researchers and students, and to make recommendations to facilitate the research process and productivity in of the University. Further, the Council shall formulate and continually review policies on the establishment, naming, reorganization, or abolition of bureaus, centers, ef or institutes that do not offer programs of instruction or regularly offer courses for credit, including their relationship to graduate and undergraduate academic programs. Additionally, when it perceives problems, the council Council has the power to undertake investigative studies and recommend solutions

Reporting responsibilities: The University Research Council shall report to the University Senate and the Vice President for Research under terms of responsibility defined in Section 7.4 and Section 8.2.d of these *Bylaws* and the report establishing the University Research Council.

- 8.2.b Membership: The University Research Council shall consist of thirteen (13) appointed members and eight (8) ex officio members. The appointed members shall be the Chair and eight (8) other faculty members; one (1) staff member; and three (3) students, including at least one (1) graduate and one (1) undergraduate student. The eight (8) ex officio members shall be a representative of the Vice President for Research, a representative of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost (non-voting), a representative of the Dean for of Undergraduate Studies, the Director of the Office of Research Administration and Advancement, and the Chairs of four (4) Subcommittees subcommittees of the University Research Council as follows: Research Development and Infrastructure Enhancement Subcommittee (RDIES); Research Advancement and Administration Subcommittee (TAAS); Intellectual Property and Economic Development Subcommittee (IPEDS); and Awards and Publicity Subcommittee (APS). The Chair shall be a tenured faculty member.

~~8.2.c Chair: The Chair shall be a tenured faculty member.~~

- 8.2.d Reporting Responsibilities: The University Research Council shall report to the University Senate and the Vice President for Research under the terms of responsibility defined in Article 7.4 and Article 8.2.d of these *Bylaws* and the report establishing the University Research Council.

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ARTICLE 9

DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR

9.1 ~~The Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director of the Senate shall be responsible for the minutes and tape recordings of all Senate meetings.

9.1.a The minutes shall include only actions and business transacted. They shall be submitted to the Senate for approval. Copies of the approved minutes shall be sent to all chief administrative officers of colleges, schools, departments, and other units, and to the campus news media.

9.1.b ~~a~~ A complete tape recording shall be made of each meeting. An indexed copy of each tape recording, excluding only those parts recorded during closed sessions, shall be placed with the minutes in the University Archives for open access.

9.2 ~~The Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall also maintain the following kinds of Senate records (see Article 4.8):

- (1) ~~all~~ All material distributed to Senate members;
- (2) ~~all~~ All material received by or distributed to members of the Executive Committee;
- (3) ~~any~~ Any minutes of the Senate or the Executive Committee not otherwise included under (1) and (2);
- (4) ~~annual~~ Annual reports of all committees of the Senate not otherwise included under (1) and (2);
- (5) ~~the~~ The tape records of Senate meetings;
- (6) ~~the~~ The current and all previous versions of the ~~Plan of Organization~~ Plan of the University Campus and the ~~Bylaws of the University Senate~~;
- (7) ~~articles~~ Articles concerned with Senate structure and operation from campus and University publications as they come to the attention of the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director; and
- (8) ~~other~~ Other items deemed appropriate by the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director or the Chair of the Senate.

9.3 ~~The Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall store inactive records of the Senate in the University Archives.

9.4 ~~The Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall be responsible for the preparation of the Senate budget in accordance with Article 4.6.

9.5 ~~The Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall prepare as soon as possible after each annual senatorial election, a directory of the membership of the new Senate indicating for each member the constituency, term, office, local address, and telephone number. A copy of this directory shall be distributed to all members of the new Senate.

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- 9.6 The ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall furnish all available information concerning the membership of the appropriate categories to each staff candidate nominated for election to the Senate.
- 9.7 The ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall keep a list, with campus addresses and telephone numbers, of all Senate officers and of all presiding officers of all Senate committees. This information shall be available upon request to any member of the campus community.
- 9.8 The ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall ~~mail send to each senator~~ Senator, by campus or electronic mail, a copy of the agenda and supporting material for each meeting. The receipt of the agenda and the supporting material then available shall satisfy the notice requirements of the meeting in question (Article 3.1 and 3.2.b).
- 9.9 The ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall prepare for the members of the Senate and its Executive Committee, as appropriate, all agendas, minutes, reports, and other documents, with the exception of proposals relating to the Programs, Curricula, and Courses (PCC) Committee. Nonetheless, the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall be responsible for the distribution of all items of Senate business, including PCC items to the members of the Senate and its Executive Committee, and to other such committees as necessary.
- 9.10 The ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall inform the Executive Committee of the status of all members of the Senate in accordance with the *Plan* (Article ~~3.4.a(4-5), 3.4.a(4), 3.4.a(5), 3.4.b(4-5), 3.4.b(4), 3.4.b(5),~~ and 3.7) and these *Bylaws* (Articles 2.2, 4.1.f, 5.65, and 5.76).
- 9.11 The ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director shall have the privilege of attending the meetings of all standing committees and ad hoc committees of the Senate to assist in the coordination of Senate business.
- 9.12 ~~The Executive Secretary~~ The Executive Secretary and Director, as the Senate's representative, shall provide information or assistance as requested to the committee for revision of the undergraduate catalog.

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ARTICLE 10 ANNUAL TRANSITION OF THE SENATE

A-10.1 Preparation for Transition:

- 10.1.a By no later than the scheduled December meeting of the Senate, the Committee on Committees shall present to the Senate at least eight (8) nominees from among outgoing Senate members to serve on the Nominations Committee. The nominees shall include four (4) faculty members, one (1) exempt staff member, one (1) non-exempt staff member, one (1) graduate student, and one (1) undergraduate student. Further nominations shall be accepted from the floor of the Senate. The Senate, as a body, shall elect four (4) faculty members, one (1) exempt staff member, one (1) non-exempt staff member, one (1) graduate student, and one (1) undergraduate to serve as the Nominations Committee. The Chair-elect of the Senate shall serve as a non-voting, ex officio member of the Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee shall elect its own Chair. The Nominations Committee shall solicit nominations from the membership of the Senate and shall present to the Chair of the Senate by April 1:
- i)a) a slate of at least two (2) candidates per seat from each constituency for elected membership on the Executive Committee, including those incumbent elected members who are eligible and willing to stand for reelection,
 - ii)b) slates of candidates to replace the outgoing members of the Committee on Committees and such other committees as required by these *Bylaws*, including at least one (1) nominee for each position to be filled, and
 - iii)c) a minimum of two (2) candidates for the office of Chair-Elect.

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Before reporting to the Chair of the Senate, the nominating committee shall secure the consent of all nominees in writing.

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10.1.b2. A brief statement of each candidate's qualifications shall be sent to the voting membership of the incoming Senate a minimum of twenty (20) calendar days before the Transitional Meeting of the Senate. Any further nominations made by members of the Senate and accompanied by a brief supporting statement and the consent of the candidate must be received by the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director at least twelve (12) working days before the Transitional Meeting. These additional nominations shall be mailed to the membership of the incoming Senate at least ten (10) working days before the Transitional Meeting.

B-10.2 Transitional Meeting:

4-10.2.a The ~~transitional-Transitional meeting-Meeting~~ will be the last regularly scheduled meeting of the ~~Spring spring-Spring~~ semester, and starts a new ~~senate-Senate~~ session.

2-10.2.b Terms of office of newly elected Senators will begin, and the terms of the outgoing Senators will end, with the call to order of the transitional meeting by the outgoing Chair.

3-10.2.c Election of the Chair-Elect, as provided for in the ~~section 5.5.a of the Plan of OrganizationPlan~~, shall be the first order of business of the ~~transitional-Transitional meetingMeeting~~, after which the outgoing Chair will pass the gavel to the previous Chair-Elect, who will assume the Chair.

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4-10.2.d The confirmation ~~efy~~ by the Senate of the membership of standing committees for the coming year, as recommended by the Committee on Committees through the outgoing Executive Committee, shall be a scheduled special order of the ~~transitional-Transitional meetingMeeting.meeting~~.

5-10.2.e The election of the Executive Committee and the election of incoming members of the Committee on Committees, and such other persons elected by the members of the Senate as prescribed in these *Bylaws*, shall be scheduled special orders of the ~~transitional-Transitional meetingMeeting~~. Nominations may be received from the floor by the Chair, in addition to those provided for in ~~section Article~~ Article 10.1. Any such nomination is contingent on the consent of the candidate, which must have been secured beforehand in writing if the nomination is made in the absence of the candidate. In the event of a tie vote in the election for members of the Executive Committee or the Committee on Committees, a ballot will be mailed to each ~~senator-Senator~~ in the appropriate constituency. Ballots are to be returned to the Senate Office within one (1) week from the date mailed.

6-10.2.f The elected members of the outgoing Executive Committee and the Committee on Committees shall continue to serve until the election of new members is held.

7-10.2.g After the conclusion of the ~~transitional-Transitional meetingMeeting~~, any remaining vacancies on standing committees may be filled on an acting basis by the new Committee on Committees, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and pending confirmation by the full Senate at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

APPENDIX 1 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AND TERMS

Implementation Procedures

In the initial year [1994-95] of implementation of Section ~~5.5.5-6~~, the following provisions shall govern appointment of members eligible for appointment to two-year terms:

- (1) Half of the members shall be appointed to the committee for a one-year term and half for a two-year term.
- (2) When multiple members are selected for a committee from a particular constituency, half shall be appointed for one-year terms and half for ~~two~~ two-year terms.
- (3) Incumbent committee members may be re-appointed to their committees for a ~~one~~ one-year term, as long as their serving the ~~one~~ one-year term ~~the one-year term~~ does not extend their service beyond the length of service specified in Sections 5.65.e and 5.65.f.
- (4) In preparing their slate for Senate action, the Committee on Committees shall identify one-year nominees and two-year nominees. The Senate may change the length of term of any nominee as long as such changes do not violate provisions of the *Plan* and *Bylaws*.

APPENDIX 2 BYLAWS OF THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY COUNCIL

I. Charge to the Council: The University Library Council has the responsibility to provide advice about policy issues concerning the University Libraries to the University Senate, to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, and to the Dean of Libraries.

A. The Council's Responsibilities to the University Senate:

1. Make recommendations for major changes and improvements in policies, operations, and services of the Libraries that represent the concerns and interests of Senate constituencies as well as other users of the Libraries. Such recommendations should specify the resource implications. Reports and recommendations to the University Senate shall be submitted to the Senate Executive Committee for placement on the agenda of the University Senate in the same manner as reports from the Senate's general committees. It is expected that the Council will also inform the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost in advance of these legislative recommendations. In addition to the mandatory annual report, the Chair of the Council shall keep the Chair of the Senate informed of the major issues before the Council and shall indicate when action or information items are likely to be forwarded for Senate consideration.
2. Respond to charges sent to the Council by the Senate Executive Committee.
3. Provide an annual written report of the Council's activities, including the status of recommendations made by the Council each year, and of unresolved issues before the Council.

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B. The Council's Responsibilities to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost:

1. Advise on the Libraries' budget, space, personnel and staffing, and other resources. It is expected that the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost will consult the Council before undertaking major reviews of the Libraries with APAC and before preparing the annual budget for the Libraries.
2. Advise on the Libraries' administrative policies and practices.
3. Advise on the charges to be given to the committees to review the Dean of Libraries and to conduct the unit review of the University Libraries based on University policy
4. Advise on matters concerning the Libraries in conjunction with accreditation review and strategic planning.
5. Respond to requests for review, analysis, and advice made by the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost.

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- 6. Meet at least annually with the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost to review the major issues facing the Libraries and its activities on campus.
- 7. The Council is responsible for informing the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost of pending reports and recommendations to the University Senate.

C. The Council's Responsibilities to the Dean of Libraries:

- 1. Advise on the needs and concerns of diverse constituencies within the campus -community with respect to Library policies, services, and new resources and technology.
- 2. Advise on strategies to involve Library users in the initiation, evaluation, and integration of new Library policies, practices, procedures, and technology. Such strategies might include forums for the discussion of changes, workshops for adjusting to new technologies, and ongoing programs of Library education.
- 3. Advise on operations, policies and new opportunities.
- 4. Advise on Library planning including strategic planning and other major plans for Library operation and development.
- 5. Review and advise on the Libraries' reports, studies, and proposed initiatives that have significant long-term resource implications for the Libraries.
- 6. Hold at least one (1) meeting each year at which the Dean shall review major issues and plans, summarized in a State of the Libraries' report distributed in advance to the Council.
- 7. It is expected that the Council will adopt a broad campus perspective and that the Dean of the Libraries will inform the Council of the University Libraries' needs and concerns and seek advice about major modifications of policies and -operations -affecting the campus community.

D. To Fulfill Its Responsibilities, the Council May:

- 1. Undertake investigative studies in matters concerning the University Libraries and recommend solutions to the University Senate, the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Dean of Libraries, or the general campus community.
- 2. Conduct open hearings on major issues concerning the University Libraries and their activities.
- 3. Communicate directly with the campus community on concerns related to support for, policies of, and services provided by the University Libraries.

II. Composition of the Council: The Council shall consist of thirteen (13) appointed members and three (3) ex officio members. The appointed members shall be: the Chair, ten (10) other faculty members including at least one (1) member of the Library faculty, a graduate student, and an undergraduate student. The three (3) ex officio members shall be a representative of the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, a representative of the Dean of the Libraries Office, and the Chair-Elect of the Senate.

A. Tenure in Office:

- 1. The Council Chair should be a tenured faculty member appointed for a single three-year term. Normally, the Chair shall have served as a member of the Council. If the Chair is serving as a regular member of the Council at the time of appointment, a new member shall be appointed to serve the remainder of the term the Chair has vacated. The Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and the Senate Executive Committee shall reach an agreement on the Council Chair, and the joint choice shall be submitted to the University Senate for its approval.
- 2. The remaining ten (10) faculty members shall be appointed for staggered two-year terms. No faculty member shall serve more than two (2) terms consecutively. For this purpose, members who have served more than a year should be considered to have served a full term.

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3. The two (2) student members shall be appointed for one-year terms. No student member should serve more than two (2) terms consecutively. For this purpose, student members who have served more than half their term should be considered to have served a full term.

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4. The Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost will appoint a member of the Provost's staff as an ex officio member of the Council who will have voice but not vote.

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5. The Dean of Libraries' Office will appoint an upper-level member of the Libraries' administrative staff as an ex-officio member of the Council who will have voice but no vote.

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6. The Chair-Elect of the Senate shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Council who will have voice but no vote.

B. Qualifications of Council Members: Successful operation of the Council requires that the members of the Council understand the nature of the Libraries and represent the best interests of the campus as well as the particular interests of their specific constituencies.

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1. The Council members should be chosen from people who can bring a campus-wide perspective to their deliberations on Library matters and who have shown interest and willingness to foster a good working relationship between the Libraries and their users.

2. Council members should be selected to represent as broad a range of campus disciplines and interests as possible. Faculty members should include representatives from both the professional and arts and sciences colleges, and within these constituencies, representatives of the arts and humanities, social sciences, and physical and biological sciences.

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C. The Appointment Process: In the spring of each year, the Chair of the University Library Council shall notify the representative of the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and the Chair-Elect of the Senate of the appointments required for the following academic year. The representative of the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and the Chair-Elect of the Senate shall draw up a slate of committee members who will agree to serve, and the slate will be submitted to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and the Committee on Committees for approval. The list of nominees for Council membership shall be submitted to the University Senate for approval. Ordinarily, the slate will be presented at the same Senate meeting at which other committee slates are approved. Dates of appointment and beginning of terms shall correspond with those of Senate committees. Replacement of Council members will take place through the same consultative process as the initial appointment, with submission of names to the Senate occurring as needed.

III. Operation of the Council: Effective and efficient Council operation will require adequate support and full cooperation among the Senate, the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Dean, and their offices.

A. The University Senate Office or its designee will provide normal committee support to the Council, including maintaining mailing lists, reproducing Council documents, keeping a copy of Council minutes, maintaining files for the Council, and arranging meeting rooms.

B. The Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, through its ex officio Council member, will provide liaison to other administrative units, such as the Office of Institutional Research, Planning and Assessment, for their reports, data, or assistance. The Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost office will also provide website space for the Council.

C. The Dean of the Libraries will provide the Council with internal data, reports, studies, etc. as needed to support the Council's work. The Dean will also arrange for unit staff to present testimony concerning such reports as the Council finds useful in carrying out its responsibilities. The Dean's assistance to the committee shall also include providing the Council members with the opportunity to attend an appropriate orientation session dealing with the Libraries.

D. Control of the Council's agenda will be the responsibility of the Council Chair and the voting members of the Council.

E. While being responsive to the needs of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and the Senate in a timely manner is necessary, the sponsoring parties and the Dean of the Libraries must not attempt to micro-manage the ongoing operation of the Council. In turn the Council must not attempt to micro manage the Libraries.

F. The Council shall meet as necessary, but in no case less than once per semester. Meetings may be called by the Chair. In addition, upon receiving a request of any three members of the Council, the Chair shall call a meeting. A majority of the voting members of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the conducting of official business of the Council.

IV. Operational Relationship of the Council to Its Sponsors:

A. For purposes of University Senate action, a Council created through Senate action will appear in essentially the same role as a general committee of the University Senate.

B. The Chair may present reports and recommendations to the Senate but will not have a vote in Senate proceedings, unless he or she is a member of the Senate.

C. Since the committees of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost range widely in form and function, and do not operate under a formal plan of organization and bylaws, there is no need to specify the Council's standing in the same fashion. For other purposes, such as APAC review of the Unit, the Council might be consulted like a College Advisory Council (that colleges will have under the shared governance plan) could be.

D. The Dean of Libraries will ordinarily meet with the Council and have a voice in its deliberations. Since one of the three main functions of the Council is to advise the Dean, the Dean shall not formally be a member of the Council. On formal reports and recommendations of the Council to the University Senate or to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Dean of the Libraries may send a separate memorandum to the Senate or the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, as appropriate, supporting or opposing the report or the recommendations, and providing the rationale for the Dean's position.

V. Review of the Council: The Council and its operations will be reviewed in conjunction with the periodic review of the Senate and the Plan of Organization.

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APPENDIX 2 REPORT OF THE SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE: PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A RESEARCH COUNCIL

A. Establishment of the Research Council:

The request to establish a Council dealing with research² at UMCP was initiated by the Vice President for Research (letter of January 3, 2000 to the Chair, University Senate), discussed by the Senate Executive Committee on January 18, 2000 and passed to the Senate Research Committee for review and preparation of a proposed

response on January 19, 2000. The objective of the letter by the Vice President for Research was the formation of a unitary committee reporting to both the Senate and the Vice President for Research. There is an element of parallelism with the 1994 report that proposed the establishment of a Library Council, and this report follows the format of Appendix 2 to the Bylaws of the University Senate.

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B. Scope of the Research Council:

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The Graduate School Catalog cites the purpose of the Graduate Council as follows: "... to consider policies ... to approve ... and in general to advise the Associate Provost (Vice President) for Research and Dean for Graduate Studies on all graduate education and research issues." In order to meet this purpose, the Graduate Council has six standing committees, one of which concerns research, which committee has some overlap in function with the Senate Research Committee. The charge of the Senate Research Committee concerns the formulation and review of policies regarding research. This report follows the spirit of the 1993 Senate Executive Committee strategy to replace certain overlapping committees appointed by different constituencies with unitary committees reporting to each of these constituencies.

Because the purpose of a Council is to integrate advisory responsibility into a single committee, this proposal allocates to the new Council the responsibilities related to research previously assigned to the Graduate Council's

Research Committee and the Senate Research Committee. There are unique obligations in research covered by the law, which obligations will continue to be met by the appropriate Vice Presidents, as designated by the President, advised by the following committees: the Biological and Chemical Hygiene (BACH) Committee, the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), and the Institutional Review Board (IRB). Further, disbursement of Graduate School DRIF is the responsibility of the Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate School, in part advised by the following Boards, which are adjunct committees of the Graduate Council: the General Research Board (GRB) and the Creative and Performing Arts Board (CAPA). For information, the Research Council will receive an annual report from the Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate School on the disbursement of Graduate School DRIF. To foster, encourage and promote research at the University, the Council will establish the following Subcommittees: Research Development and Infrastructure Enhancement Subcommittee (RDIES); Research Advancement and Administration Subcommittee (RAAS); Intellectual Property and Economic Development Subcommittee (IPEDS); and Awards and Publicity Subcommittee (APS). For each of these Subcommittees, the Council will establish the charge, responsibilities, membership and operation during its first year of operation. Upon acceptance by both parties of the proposal, any existing standing committee of the Senate or the Graduate Council that dealt solely with research and that is not explicitly continued by this document will be abolished.

The creation of a Council represents a commitment on the part of the Senate and the Vice President for Research to utilize the Council and to use the Council as the primary advisory committee for dealing with all campus-wide activities relevant to its mission. The Council may wish to establish additional Subcommittees to deal with specific issues. In the very rare event that an ad hoc committee must be set up outside of the Council, the Council and its sponsoring bodies (Senate and the Vice President for Research) must be informed and their advice on forming the ad hoc committee must be sought.

C. Charge to the Council:

The Research Council shall provide advice to the University Senate and to the Vice President for Research concerning the research mission of the Campus. Specifically, the Council is charged to formulate and continually review policies regarding research, its funding, its relation to graduate and undergraduate academic degree programs, and its service to the community. Also, the Council is charged to review the needs of faculty, other researchers and students and to make recommendations to facilitate the research process and productivity in the University. Further, the Council shall formulate and continually review policies on the establishment, naming, reorganization, or abolition of bureaus, centers, or institutes that do not offer programs of instruction or regularly offer courses for credit, including their relationship to graduate and undergraduate academic programs. Additionally, when it perceives problems, the Council has the power to undertake investigative studies and recommend solutions. The responsibilities to the two different sponsors are:

1. The Council's responsibilities to the University Senate:

1. Make recommendations for major changes and improvements in policies about research that represent the concerns and interests of Senate constituencies. Such recommendations should specify the resource implications.

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2. Respond to charges sent to the Council by the Senate Executive Committee.

c. Provide an annual written report of the Council's activities including the status of recommendations made by the Council each year and of unresolved issues before the Council.

Reports and recommendations to the University Senate shall be submitted to the Senate Executive Committee for placement on the agenda of the University Senate in the same manner as reports from the Senate's general committees. It is expected that the Council will inform the Vice President for Research in advance of those legislative recommendations. In addition to the mandatory annual report, the Chair of the Council shall keep the Chair of the Senate informed of the major issues before the Council and shall indicate when action or information items are likely to be forwarded for Senate consideration.

2. The Council's responsibilities to the Vice President for Research:

1. Advise on the space and other resources supporting research.

2. Advise on the personnel and staffing of the Graduate School (Office of Research Administration and Advancement, and Office of Research and Graduate Studies).

3. Advise on the administrative policies and practices relating to research.

4. Advise on the charge to be given to any non-programmatic review committee.

5. Respond to requests for review, analysis, and advice made by the Vice President for Research.

6. Meet at least annually with the Vice President for Research to review the major issues facing the Campus in respect of research.

It is expected that the Vice President for Research will consult the Council before undertaking major reviews. The Council, in turn, is responsible for informing the Vice President for Research of pending reports and recommendations to the Senate.

D. Composition of the Council:

The Council shall consist of thirteen appointed members and seven ex officio members. The appointed members shall be the Chair and eight other faculty members; one staff member, three students, including at least one graduate and one undergraduate student. The eight ex officio members shall be a representative of the Vice President for Research, a representative of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost (non-voting), the Director of the Office of Research Administration and Advancement, a faculty representative of the Dean for Undergraduate Studies, and the Chairs of the four Subcommittees identified in B.

1. Tenure in Office:

a. The Council Chair should be a tenured faculty member appointed for a single three year term. If the Chair is serving as a regular member of the Council, a new member shall be appointed to serve the remainder of the term the Chair has vacated. The Vice President for Research and the Senate Executive Committee shall reach an agreement on the Council Chair, and the joint choice shall be submitted to the University Senate for its approval.

b. The remaining eight faculty members and the one staff member shall be appointed for staggered two-year terms (with approximately half appointed for a one-year term when the Council is initiated). No faculty or staff member shall serve more than one consecutive term. For this purpose, faculty or staff members who have served more than a year should be considered to have served a full term.

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~~d. The Provost's office will appoint a member of the Provost's staff as an ex officio member of the Council who will have a voice but not vote.~~

~~1. The Vice President for Research will ordinarily meet with the Council and have a voice in its deliberations. Since one of the two main functions of the Council is to advise the Vice President for Research, the Vice President for Research shall not formally be a member of the Council.~~

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~~2. Qualifications of Council Members:~~

~~Successful operation of the Council requires that the members of the Council understand the nature of research and represent the best interests of the Campus as well as the particular interests of their specific constituencies.~~

~~a. The Council members should be chosen from people who can bring a campus-wide perspective to their deliberations on research matters. The initial Chair of the Committee should have experience in this area, such as service on current or previous research committees and it is anticipated that some of the initial membership of the Council may be drawn from the past membership of the superseded committees.~~

~~b. Council members should include representatives from both the professional and arts and sciences colleges, and within these constituencies, representatives of the arts and humanities, social sciences, and physical and biological sciences.~~

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~~3. The Appointment Process:~~

~~The Vice President for Research will meet with the Committee on Committees to draw up a slate of committee members who will agree to serve. The list of nominees for Council membership shall be submitted to the University Senate for approval. Ordinarily the slate will be presented at the same Senate meeting at which other committee slates are approved. Dates of appointment and beginning of terms shall correspond with those of Senate Committees. Replacement of Council members will take place through the same consultative process as the initial appointment with submission of names to the Senate occurring as needed.~~

~~E. Operation of the Council:~~

~~Effective and efficient Council operation will require adequate support and full cooperation among the Senate, the Provost, the Vice President for Research and their offices:~~

~~1. The University Senate Office will provide normal committee support to the Council, including maintenance of mailing lists, reproducing Council documents, keeping a copy of Council minutes, maintaining files for the Council, arranging meeting rooms, etc.~~

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~~1. The Vice President for Research will provide the Council with internal data, reports, studies, etc., as needed to support the Council's work. The Vice President for Research will also arrange for Unit staff to present such testimony concerning such reports, etc., as the Council finds useful in carrying out its responsibilities. The assistance of the Vice President for Research to the Committee shall also include providing the Council members with the opportunity to meet with the Graduate Council.~~

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~~4. The four Subcommittees of the Council identified in B will provide the Council with annual reports concerning the activities of each Subcommittee.~~

4. ~~Control of the Council's agenda will be the responsibility of the Council Chair and the voting members of the Council.~~

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F. ~~Status of the Council in the Senate:~~

~~For purposes of University Senate action, a Council created through Senate action appears in essentially the same role as a general committee of the University Senate. The Council must develop its own bylaws, which must be approved by the Senate and the Provost. The Chair may present reports and recommendations to the Senate but will not have a vote in Senate proceedings, unless he or she is a member of the Senate.~~

G. ~~Review of the Council:~~

~~Five years after the Council is formed by the Senate and the Vice President for Research, a review of the Council will be undertaken jointly, and a written report will be made to both the University Senate and the Vice President for Research. Such a review may recommend continuation of the Council in its present form and mode of operation, modification of the Council structure and/or operations, or discontinuance of the Council.~~

~~Following the initial review, the Council and its operations will be reviewed in conjunction with the periodic review of the Senate and the *Plan of Organization Plan*.~~

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APPENDIX 3 PROCEDURES FOR ELECTIONS OF UMCP REPRESENTATIVES TO THE COUNCIL OF UNIVERSITY SYSTEM FACULTY (CUSF)

The Chair of CUSF is not a member of CUSF. Thus, if the Chair is from College Park, a replacement must be named. At the end of his/her term as Chair, if his/her term on CUSF is not finished, he/she resumes his/her position as a CUSF member.

~~Normal~~ The normal term for CUSF representatives is three (3) years, with a single alternate serving one (1) year; ~~if~~ if a regular representative is unable to serve out his/her term, the alternate replaces him/her for the remainder of the term, and a new alternate is named.

The University Senate, in accordance with its usual procedures, will elect representatives to CUSF in the spring. Faculty members only are entitled to vote. Each faculty Senate member has as many votes as there are open positions. If there are more candidates than positions, the person(s) receiving the most votes, in order, are declared representatives. The person receiving the next most votes is declared alternate. The remaining person, in order of vote tally, will be asked to move into the alternate position if the previous paragraph comes in to play. A record of the outcome of the election will be retained by the ~~Executive Secretary~~ Executive Secretary and Director of the University Senate. If there are not sufficient candidates, or the pool of candidates is exhausted, representatives are chosen by the Executive Committee.

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