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Governance Review Commission
Working Revisions to Article III; Functions of Senate

Version 1 (order of subsections TBD)
Article III. Functions of the University Senate
Section 1. The University Senate shall act as a legislative body in such affairs as are delegated to it by the Board of Trustees. These shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
A. to assist in establishing the educational aims and purposes of the University;
B. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, academic standards and policy for the admission, retention, and graduation of students;
C. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, the curriculum necessary to achieve the educational aims of the University, as well as to review periodically that curriculum;
D. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, policies and regulations affecting student welfare such as housing, food, health, dress, general behavior, the Campus Center and bookstore <i>review recommendations from Student Council regulations and make recommendations to the appropriate administrators or the Board of Trustees</i>
E. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, policies affecting social activities on campus such as traditional events, cultural events, exhibitions and all-campus events;
F. to approve the original provisions and the amendments of charters for campus organizations; <i>review appeals from Student Council concerning</i>
G. to superintend the annual review of the social regulations of the University;
<i>X. make recommendations to the Board of Trustees concerning the awarding of honorary degrees</i>
<i>Y. approve annually the basic framework for the academic calendar</i>
H. to make recommendations for consideration by <i>to</i> the appropriate <i>Councils, Committees,</i> administrative officer(s), or the Board of Trustees, concerning other <i>any</i> matters relating to the welfare of the University.
Section 2. <i>In addition, the University Senate supervises the work of standing and ad hoc committees of the University Senate</i>

Section 3. The University Senate also has responsibility to develop and maintain channels and processes for communication between University Senate and other components of University governance: the Board of Trustees, the standing and ad hoc committees of University Senate, and the various constituencies of the University Senate, including faculty, students, administrators, and staff.

**Version 2
(order of subsections TBD) (combines sections 2 and 3)**

Article III. Functions of the University Senate

Section 1. The University Senate shall act as a legislative body in such affairs as are delegated to it by the Board of Trustees. These shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- A. to assist in establishing the educational aims and purposes of the University;
- B. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, academic standards and policy for the admission, retention, and graduation of students;
- C. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, the curriculum necessary to achieve the educational aims of the University, as well as to review periodically that curriculum;
- D. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, *review recommendations from Student Council* policies and regulations affecting student *regulations* welfare such as housing, food, health, dress, general behavior, the Campus Center and bookstore *and make recommendations to the appropriate administrators or the Board of Trustees*
- E. ~~to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, policies affecting social activities on campus such as traditional events, cultural events, exhibitions and all-campus events;~~
- F. to ~~approve~~ *review appeals from Student Council concerning* the original provisions and the amendments of charters for campus organizations;
- G. ~~to superintend the annual review of the social regulations of the University;~~
- X. *make recommendations to the Board of Trustees concerning the awarding of honorary degrees*
- Y. *approve annually the basic framework for the academic calendar*
- H. to make recommendations ~~for consideration by~~ *to* the appropriate *Councils, Committees,*

administrative officer(s), or the Board of Trustees, concerning ~~other~~ *any* matters relating to the welfare of the University.

Section 2. In addition, the University Senate serves several important coordination and communication functions, including:

A. to supervise the work of standing and ad hoc committees of the University Senate

B. to develop and maintain channels and processes for communication between University Senate and other components of University governance: the Board of Trustees, the standing and ad hoc committees of University Senate, and the various constituencies of the University Senate, including faculty, students, administrators, and staff.

Version 3

(order of subsections TBD) (adds a preface; combines sections 2 and 3)

Article III. Functions of the University Senate

Section 1. The University Senate serves both legislative and coordinating functions, as delineated below.

Section 2. The University Senate shall act as a legislative body in such affairs as are delegated to it by the Board of Trustees. These shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

A. to assist in establishing the educational aims and purposes of the University;

B. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, academic standards and policy for the admission, retention, and graduation of students;

C. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, the curriculum necessary to achieve the educational aims of the University, as well as to review periodically that curriculum;

D. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, *review recommendations from Student Council* policies and regulations affecting student *regulations* welfare such as housing, food, health, dress, general behavior, the Campus Center and bookstore *and make recommendations to the appropriate administrators or the Board of Trustees*

E. to establish, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, policies affecting social activities on campus such as traditional events, cultural events, exhibitions and all-campus events;

F. to approve *review appeals from Student Council concerning* the original provisions and the

amendments of charters for campus organizations;

~~G. to superintend the annual review of the social regulations of the University;~~

X. make recommendations to the Board of Trustees concerning the awarding of honorary degrees

Y. approve annually the basic framework for the academic calendar

H. to make recommendations ~~for consideration by~~ to the appropriate *Councils, Committees,* administrative officer(s), or the Board of Trustees, concerning ~~other~~ any matters relating to the welfare of the University.

Section 3. In addition, the University Senate serves several important coordination and communication functions, including:

A. to supervise the work of standing and ad hoc committees of the University Senate

B. to develop and maintain channels and processes for communication between University Senate and other components of University governance: the Board of Trustees, the standing and ad hoc committees of University Senate, and the various constituencies of the University Senate, including faculty, students, administrators, and staff.