Article II The University Senate Membership Article II.A.1. & II.A.1.f

## Rationale:

II.A.1: The principle of representation should be in the constitution, but because the organization and size of the university change, the specifics of the categories should be in the bylaws, which can be amended more easily to conform to new conditions. Similarly, the principle of elective representation for certain non-degree granting units is a proper constitutional provision, but the specifics belong in the bylaws, since the names, circumstances, and even existence of those units may change.

II.A.1.f: Provides guidelines for determining eligibility for Senate service for faculty currently holding administrative roles by referencing their specific workload assignment.

## Article II.A.1. & II.A.1.f Currently reads:

- 1. Elected members: The basic representational unit in the University Senate shall be the degree-granting unit. The method of selecting senators from any representational unit shall be determined by the assembly members of that unit. Degree-granting units with fewer than 40 Academic Assembly members shall select one senator. Degree-granting units with 40 or more Academic Assembly members shall select one additional senator. Degree-granting units with 100 or more Academic Assembly members may select a third senator. Proposals for a representational unit other than the individual degree-granting unit shall be submitted to the UAC, which will insure the appropriateness of the proposal for representing the assembly members affected by the proposal and will submit the proposal to a vote of the affected assembly members for their approval. The following non-degree granting units applied for and received approval for membership in the University Senate: Emeritus College (1 representative); Ross Blakely Law Library (1 representative); LeRoy Eyring Center for Solid State Science (1 representative); ASU Libraries' Librarians Assembly (2 representatives). The UAC shall adjudicate the number of senators from each representational unit. The University Senate itself shall certify the qualifications of its members.
  - a. The ordinary term of elected senators shall be three years, commencing on June 1.
  - b. Attendance: senators are expected to attend all regular and special meetings of the senate. When absence is unavoidable, the senator should designate a substitute and inform the senate secretary or, this not being feasible, notify the secretary of the senate of the anticipated absence (excused absence).
  - c. Upon notification from the secretary that a senator has accumulated three unexcused absences in one academic year, the UAC shall declare the seat vacant and shall request in writing that the head of the representational unit request the assembly members of that unit to fill the vacancy.
  - d. Representational units shall replace senators who take leaves of absence, sabbaticals, or who have resigned. Senators selected under this provision will complete either the unexpired portion of the term or the period of the leave only.
  - e. All senators should be available to serve on at least one senate or university committee during their term. Refusal of committee service may be construed as resignation from the senate.
  - f. The primary role of faculty members elected by their units to be Senators should be teaching and/or research.

## Article II.A.1. & II.A.1.f As Amended will read as follows (inserted language red):

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  - f. The primary role of faculty members elected by their units to be Senators should be teaching and/or research. While serving as a senator, faculty or academic professional may not hold an administrative appointment of half-time or more.