Proposed amendments to the University Senate Constitution (ACD 112-01)

Amendment 1

Article II.A.1 University Senate Membership
This change provides for the continued representation of the non-degree granting units as indicated below that have previously applied for senatorial representation. The University Senate voted on and approved the following on October 7, 2013.

*Article II.A.1 currently reads:*

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 UAC shall adjudicate the number of senators from each representational unit. The University Senate itself shall certify the qualifications of its members.

*Article II.A.1 as amended will read (inserted language bolded):*

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.

Shall this amendment be adopted?

☐ Yes
☐ No

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Amendment 2

Article II.B.1.g Senate Leadership/University Academic Council

Previously, the incoming president of the senate was selected by April 15 each year. Earlier selection, by the end of the fall semester, ensures continuity of leadership by allowing the incoming president additional time to become familiar with key issues, protocol and issues that carryover each year. The University Senate voted on and approved the following on October 7, 2013.

Article II.B.1.g currently reads:

By April 15 of each year, the UAC shall designate from among its membership an individual to serve as president of the University Senate, beginning June 1. This Senate president or his/her designee shall convene meetings of the UAC and shall preside over meetings of the University Senate and the Academic Assembly.

Article II.B.1.g as amended, will read

By April 15 of each year, the UAC shall designate from among its membership an individual to serve as president of the University Senate, beginning June 1. This Senate president or his/her designee shall convene meetings of the UAC and shall preside over meetings of the University Senate and the Academic Assembly.

Article II.B.1.h as adopted will be added as a new section (h) and will read:

By the end of the fall semester the UAC shall elect from among its membership an individual to serve as President-Elect of the University Senate, who will succeed to the position of President of the University Senate and Chair of the University Academic Council on June 1. The specific duties of the President-Elect, like those of the current campus Presidents, shall be determined in collaborative discussion with the current President.

Shall this amendment be adopted?

☐ Yes
☐ No

Amendment 3

Article II.B.1.i. UAC Authority During Non-Contract Periods

The UAC represents and is authorized to make administrative decisions on behalf of faculty and academic professionals during non-contract summer periods from May 16-August 15 annually. The senate conducted an annual vote to extend this authority to the UAC. This amendment removes the requirement

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for an annual vote. The UAC will still be able to defer sensitive items to the full Senate if necessary. The University Senate voted on and approved the following on October 7, 2013.

*Article II.B.1.i as adopted will be added as new section (i) and will read:*

From the period of May 16-August 15, the UAC shall have the authority to act on behalf of the Senate and to carry out necessary Senate duties during the period of time in which faculty are not on contract. The Senate President shall report on any such activity at the first Senate meeting in the fall.

Shall this amendment be adopted?

☐ Yes
☐ No