

San José State University
Academic Senate
Organization and Government Committee
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Final Reading

AS 1669

Policy Recommendation
Amendment to Senate Constitution Regarding Administrative Representatives

Legislative History: This proposal, if subsequently approved by the full faculty, would modify the Senate's constitution related to administrative representatives to the Senate so that an AVP from outside the academic affairs division would be selected by the President in consultation with the Senate's Executive Committee. This proposal also clarifies representation from the academic affairs division from among Deans and AVPs.

Whereas: SJSU's challenges, initiatives, and strategic goals evolve over time, and

Whereas: Clarification is needed regarding administrative representatives from the academic affairs division, and

Whereas: Interest has been expressed in a wider representation of administrators on the Academic Senate, therefore be it

Resolved That Article II, section 2 of the Senate Constitution pertaining to administrative representatives be amended as follows:

ARTICLE II -- MEMBERSHIP

Section 2. Administration representatives shall consist of the President, the Provost, the Vice President for Administration and Finance, the Vice President for Student Affairs, and the Chief Diversity Officer, ~~ex-officio; and four (4)~~ academic two college deans from academic affairs inclusive of CIES and the library; one Associate Vice President from Academic Affairs; and one Associate Vice President from a division outside academic affairs. at least two of whom shall be deans of colleges, elected by the academic deans for staggered two-year terms.

Rationale: This modification allows for the selection of administrators to the Senate whose expertise would be particularly valuable in any given year in the context of the University's changing needs over time. Historically, substantive benefits to the Senate have been realized due to the fact that our Senate is an Academic Senate inclusive of administrative representatives who can be engaged in discussions at the starting point regarding the formulation of university policy proposals. The particular designation of representatives in our constitution highlights the Senate's need for collaboration with administrators engaged in a wide range of leadership responsibilities from visionary planning to concrete implementation responsibilities across divisions.

The change also clarifies representation from among the Deans and AVPs in a way that does not require further definition in Senate bylaws. In conjunction with changes being considered to bylaw 1.10, the change keeps this section of the constitution focused on membership and places process in the bylaws.

Approved: 9/24/18

Vote: 8-0-0

Present: Bailey, Capizzi, French, Gallo, Higgins, Ormsbee, Rodan, Shifflett

Absent: Saldami, Grosvenor, Curry

Financial Impact: None

Workload Impact: None

Note 1: For easier reading, proposed new language without edits – for reference; this will not be included in policy recommendation.

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Note 2: Listing of AVPs – for reference; this will not be included in policy recommendation.

AVP's Academic Affairs
GUP
Faculty & Student Success
Office of Research
Academic Budgets & Planning
AVP's Student Affairs
Campus Life
Enrollment Services
Student Services
Transition & Retention Services
AVP's Administration & Finance
Facilities Development & Operations
Finance
AVP's Advancement
Alumni Relations
Development

Strategic Communications and Public Affairs
Advancement & Campaign Operations
University Personnel
University Personnel (senior AVP)