

1 San José State University
2 Academic Senate
3 Organization and Government Committee
4 November 21, 2016
5 Final Reading
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AS 1628

7 **Policy Recommendation**
8 **Modification of Bylaw 15 Pertaining to Editorial Changes in**
9 **Policies and Management Resolutions**

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11 Legislative History: Modifies bylaw 15c passed in Spring 2016 which pertains to the
12 correction of errors in policy recommendations and Senate management resolutions.
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14 Whereas: The revisions made to bylaw 15c in Spring 2016 were intended to permit
15 changes to be made to documents by the Executive Committee rather
16 than have minor matters brought to the full senate, and
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18 Whereas: The language in the modification was subsequently found to actually
19 restrict action, therefore be it
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21 Resolved That section c of bylaw 15 be modified as follows:
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23 c) When a policy recommendation or Senate Management Resolution is found to
24 contain editorial errors, that when corrected would not change the intent of the policy or
25 resolution, the Senate Chair, following consultation with and unanimous consent from,
26 the Executive Committee can correct the error(s). The edited version of the document
27 approved by the executive committee will be submitted to the President for final review
28 and signature. Approved editorial corrections shall be recorded in the Senate Executive
29 Committee meeting minutes and changes will be made by Senate staff to the document
30 being corrected. If the editorial changes are not approved by the Executive Committee
31 or the President, the document will be returned to the appropriate policy committee for
32 revision and brought to the Senate for debate and vote.
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34 Rationale: This modification recognizes that the need for editorial corrections are often
35 not detected until after a recommendation has gone to the President or has been
36 implemented. The matter of timing should not result in the Senate having to take up
37 discussion of changes to documents that do not change the intent of a policy or
38 resolution. In addition, the change does not alter the President's final signature
39 authority on University Policies.
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41 Approved: 11/14/16

42 Vote: 11-0-0

43 Present: Laker, Bailey, Shifflett, Rajkovic, Higgins, Ormsbee, Boekema,
44 Hart, Boylan-Ashraf, Tran, Curry

45 Absent: Grosvenor

46 Financial Impact: None expected

47 Workload Impact: No change from current situation