

Consolidation Committee Final Report



Committee Details:

Date: March 3, 2017

Committee Name: OWG 67 Faculty Governance

Committee Co-Chairs: Walter Bowers, Chair, Judith Rosenbaum-Andre,

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Functional Area: Shared Governance

Functional Area Coordinator: Kevin Scott

Major Tasks for Committee Tracker from Final Planning Document and Recommendations

Task: Determine Structure

Recommendation and/or Action Taken

Both senates meet USG standards for Faculty Senates. There is much overlap between the two, therefore a task force, approved by both senates, will use best practices to recommend a model for representative shared governance of the Consolidated institution.

Recommends that standing committees at both universities will be streamlined.

Task: Determine membership on Regents Administrative Advisory Committee

Recommendation and/or Action Taken:

To be determined by the Governance task force and approved by the consolidated senate.

Task: Determine constitution and bylaws

Recommendation and/or Action Taken:

The Faculty Governance task force, approved by both Senates, will reconcile the existing bylaws and constitutions of the two senates in a way that best represent the needs of the consolidated institutions.

Task: Hold elections

Recommendation and/or Action Taken:

Once the bylaws and constitution have been approved by the senate, apportionment can be determined, and elections can take place in April 2017 for the

senate that will begin serving in Fall 2017.



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Other/Final Comments (if any):

Recommendations were submitted prior to the vote by SACS and the BoR to consolidate the two Institutions. Following the official vote, the two senates became one and began operating under a transitional document until the approval of the new bylaws and constitution by the Senate.

Recommends that the new ASU formally recognize that shared governance, defined as collective ownership and accountability, is the feedback mechanism in place for the university regarding policy proposals, and that all shared governance bodies should be created expressly for that purpose.

Recommends that faculty participation in shared governance must be properly recognized and rewarded.