

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSTIY University Senate

Resolution on Voting Membership of the University Senate

04-18/19-CBC - October 30, 2018 - Second Reading

RESOLVED: That the University Senate recommends the attached amendments to the Constitution of the University Senate be forwarded to the Senate electorates (faculty, staff, and students) for ratification in fall 2018; and be it further,

RESOLVED: that title of Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management is now Vice President for Student Affairs. Section 4.3 Ex-Officio Members will be updated to reflect this title change; and be it further,

RESOLVED: that section 4.3, the Ex-Officio Senator from the HSU Chapter of the California Faculty Association be changed from President to Delegate; and be it further,

RESOLVED: that section 4.6 Voting and Procedural Rights remove the language which restricts full voting rights from the CFA President; and be it further,

RESOLVED: that section 4.6 Voting and Procedural Rights remove the language which restricts full voting rights from the HSU Labor Council delegate.

RATIONALE:

The California Faculty Association (CFA) HSU Chapter President has requested that CFA HSU Chapter senate representative be changed from specifically designating the CFA HSU Chapter President to designating a delegate from CFA HSU Chapter. They can decide to make this delegate the President, but it allows them the flexibility to choose, much like the labor council may choose.

Under the University Senate Constitution, Section 4.6 Voting and Procedural Rights, All members of the Senate, with the exception of the University President, the CFA President and the HSU Labor Council delegate, shall have full voting rights. In the Policy on Policies, Procedures, and Guidelines (Policy #17-01) a fundamental principle is that "The President has final authority to review and approve policies recommended by the University Senate." Thus it follows that the University President is a non-voting member of Senate. However, there is little to no rationale for why the CFA President and the HSU Labor Council delegate are non- voting members. In the interest of shared governance, this resolution removes those voting limits of seated Senators.

4.0 Membership

4.1 Elected Members:

- 4.11 **Tenure-Line Faculty**: Eleven (11) Tenure-Line Faculty Senators shall be apportioned as follows:
 - Two (2) delegates from each of the three colleges (instructional units)
 - Two (2) delegates from non-instructional units (Coaches, Counselors, Librarians
 - Three (3) "At-Large" delegates (tenure-line instructional faculty).
- 4.12 **Lecturer Faculty**: Three (3) Lecturer Faculty (including librarians, counselors, and coaches) with a time base of .40 (or greater) of full-time appointment.
- 4.13 Staff: Three (3) non-Management Personnel Plan (MPP) staff.

4.2 Terms of Office and Term Limits

- 4.21 The term of office for an elected member shall be three Senate years. An elected member shall serve no more than two consecutive complete terms. Service for a partial term or for terms served as an ex-officio member shall not be included in this calculation. So far as feasible, Senate terms shall be arranged so that approximately one-third of the membership is elected annually.
- 4.22 The outgoing chair of the University Senate, if in good standing, shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Senate for one year subsequent to the completion of the Chair's term.
- **4.3 Ex-Officio Members:** The ex-officio members of the Senate shall be as follows:
 - General Faculty President
 - University President
 - Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
 - Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management
 - Vice President for Administrative Affairs
 - Two (2) General Faculty Representatives to the Academic Senate CSU (ASCSU)
 Chair, Integrated Curriculum Committee
 - Immediate Past Chair of the Senate (One-year term)
 - President Delegate, HSU Chapter, California Faculty Association
 - Delegate, HSU Labor Council
 - President, Associated Students
 - Executive Director, Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

4.4 Additional Members: Additional members of the Senate include:

Two (2) student delegates from the Associated Students

One (1) Emeritus professor delegate from the HSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association

4.5 Interim Members:

4.51 Elected members who temporarily vacate their elected Senate seatto serve in an ex-officio membership position shall be referred to as "Interim Ex-Officio" members. Interim Ex-Officio members may serve one semester or less and still retreat to their elected Senate seat without standing for re-

election (as long as the term limit has not been reached by the end of the semester). Time served as an Interim Ex-Officio member will still be counted toward the term limits for the elected seat. If the Interim Ex-Officio member will serve longer than one semester, their elected seat will become vacant and will be filled by election in accordance with the Senate *Bylaws*.

- 4.52 Persons who have been appointed to fill a temporary vacancy in an elected Senate position shall be referred to as "Interim Elected" members. Interim Elected members shall be appointed through the Appointments and Election Committee. The Committee shall solicit nominations from the electorate for the Senate seat that is being temporarily vacated and forward its recommendation to the Senate for approval. Any person so appointed shall serve as an Interim Elected member until such time as the originally elected member returns to their elected Senate seat or until the end of the semester, whichever comes first. Time served as an Interim Elected member shall be counted as a partial term of service in accordance with section 4.21.
- Voting and Procedural Rights: All members of the Senate shall have full procedural rights. All members of the Senate, with the exception of the University President, the CFA President and the HSU Labor Council delegate, shall have full voting rights.

This Resolution was unanimously approved by the Associated Students Board of Directors on Monday, November 26, 2018.

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