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to Amend the Charter of the University Curriculum and Academic Policies Committee

1. Motion presenter: James Connell, on behalf of the Agenda Committee

2. Dates of Faculty Senate Discussion: 02/03/2020, 02/17/2020

3. Rationale: Provisions have existed over the years to assure that the University Curriculum and Academic Policies Committee (UCAPC) membership includes at least two faculty senators. Originally the Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee and the Chair of the Senate, or a member of the Agenda Committee designated by the Chair, were members. Later this was changed to the Senate electing one or two of its members to serve if the membership elected by the colleges did not include two senators.

Based upon experience over the years, the Agenda Committee sees no benefit in this provision. Furthermore, given the many other demands of Faculty Senate membership, finding senators willing to serve is challenging.

4. Motion: The Charter of the University Curriculum and Academic Policies Committee Article 2, Section C. “Membership”, is hereby amended as follows:

Strike subsection 1., paragraph b., reading “A minimum of two members of the UCAPC at any time must be members of the Faculty Senate.”;

Under subsection 1., paragraph c., strike the sentences “If fewer than two members elected by the colleges are also members of the Faculty Senate, the senate will elect from among its members one or two additional representatives to the committee as necessary to meet the requirements of 1.b. above. If the senate elects two members, they will not be from the same college.”;

The paragraphs that remain under subsection1. shall be re-lettered sequentially after 1.a.

From UCAPC Charter, Section 2.C The UCAPC will consist of members described by the following: 1.a. Tenured faculty members who are not also administrators shall represent the schools, colleges and the library in proportion to the size of their faculties. Specifically, each school, college and the library with less than 75 permanent full-time-equivalent faculty (tenure track and non-tenure track combined) will have 1 representative; more than 75 but fewer than 150 will have 2; and greater than 150 will have 3. 1.b. A minimum of two members of the UCAPC at any time must be members of the Faculty Senate. 1.c.b. The faculty representatives from each college will be elected by written ballot by the members of the faculty in that college eligible to vote for faculty senators. If fewer than two members elected by the colleges are also members of the Faculty Senate, the senate will elect from among its members one or two additional representatives to the committee as necessary to meet the requirements of 1.b. above. If the senate elects two members, they will not be from the same college. 1.c.c. The term of service for faculty is three years, with staggered terms. Committee members may be re-elected. When a member is unable to complete his or her term, the Faculty Senate will appoint a replacement for the balance of the term, provided that replacement represents the same college as that represented by the member who left the seat vacant.
5. Senate action: The motion passed unanimously with 53 in favor, none opposed, and no abstentions.

6. Senate chair’s signature: 

Forwarded to the following on March 6, 2020
   President James Dean
   Wayne Jones, Provost
   P.T. Vasudevan, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
   All deans