A3.9 University Committee

(1) Membership.  

a) Seven members as follows: six elected faculty members and the President pro tem of the Senate. No more than three of the elected members shall be from a single school, college, or equivalent academic unit. No more than one elected member shall be from a single department in a departmentalized school or college.

For all elections of members to the University Committee, a primary election shall be held. The final election ballot will contain twice as many nominees as there are individuals to be elected, such nominees to be chosen in descending order from the one who received the greatest number of votes in the primary election. The provisions above concerning membership distribution shall be honored.

The Committee annually elects a chairperson-elect from those having at least one more year to serve as a Committee member. The chairperson-elect serves as chairperson the year following his/her election.

b) Vacancies in the University Committee membership are to be filled as soon thereafter as possible, by special election, through preparation of a special slate of nominees prepared by the Nominations Committee and permitting nominations from the university faculty followed by mail ballot. The membership that results from the filling of this vacancy will follow the membership composition restrictions of the University Committee with respect to school/college and departmental affiliation as cited in A3.9 (1) (a).

A3.0 Faculty Senate Rules Committee

(1) Membership. Six members as follows: five members of the Senate elected annually by the Senate, at least one member shall be from each of faculty division; and the Chancellor, ex-officio. The chairperson is elected from among the members of the committee by majority vote of the Senate and becomes President pro tem of the Senate, who also serves as a member of the University Committee. Any given school or college may not be represented in consecutive years in the chair of the Rules Committee; further, membership composition restrictions of the University Committee with respect to school/college and departmental affiliation of its members shall also be followed when electing the chairperson.

Rationale  (on reverse)
The UWM University Committee (UC) has reviewed the *UWM Policies and Procedures* with respect to UC composition. In the interest of having UC committee composition reflect campus interests as broadly as possible, we believe that the current composition constraints which are confined to only elected members may not fully ensure broad representation. Specifically, the President pro tem of the Senate, who is not elected as a member of the UC yet also serves on the UC, should be held to the same composition expectations as elected members. Therefore, the UC recommends that the Senate approve these modifications to the UC charge in Chapter 6, Supplement, Section A3.9(1) and the Faculty Senate Rules Committee charge, Section A3.0. The membership paragraph (A3.9 (1)) is also split into two parts (a & b) with language added to part (b) to make clear that special elections must follow the same rules as regular elections regarding composition of the committee.

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