

Faculty Senate Policy Committee Report
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The Policy Committee has met on September 16 and the following have been approved by the Executive and Advisory Board and are brought to the Senate for discussion and approval.

1. Change in the Ombudsman Faculty Manual description
2. Clarification of start date for Senate approved policies

The Senate President and Policy Committee Chair investigated possible violations of the Faculty Manual. It was determined that there were none; however, there is concern regarding e-mails and memos from Deans and Department Chairs.

The Committee established the following as priority items for this Faculty Senate year.

1. Review current Faculty Manual policy on Academic Freedom and recommend possible changes.
2. Review the makeup of search committees with attention to Staff membership. We are working with the Staff Senate to review and make possible changes to current policy.
3. Review recommendations of Senate Select Committee on Ranks and Titles with emphasis on Lecturers. The Staff Senate is a participant.
4. Exploring the possibility of an Academic Faculty Misconduct Policy.
5. Cluster hire procedures and hiring without advertising and/or appropriate interviews.

Recent items submitted to the committee

1. Collegiality policy and how may it be used as a component of the Annual Evaluation.
2. Role of Directors in the Annual Evaluation process.