

# IUPUI Faculty Council Committee Annual Report 2019-2020

**Committee Name:** Constitution and Bylaws

**Chair:** Judith Wright

**Members:** Kyle Minor, Tina Baich, Cornelis de Waal, Debomoy Lahiri, Fan Rong, Jim Scheurich, Ian Sheeler, Todd Shelton, Evelyn Stepheson, Judith Wright  
with liaisons Joan Kowolik (Exec. Comm.), Joe Scodro (Gen. Counsel), Ben Keele (Parliamentarian)

**Action Items for 2019-2020 Academic Year:**

Due to the substantial revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws undertaken and completed in the 2018-2019 Academic Year, the Committee was given no charges at the beginning of the 2019-2020 Academic Year. The following Action Items came to the Committee as a result of initiatives taken up by other committees of the Faculty Council and the Executive Committee as the year progressed.

| Action Item(s)  | Status  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revise Bylaws to add Ombudsteam and any related required changes.</li> </ul>   | <p>COMPLETED.</p> <p>Bylaw Article V. Faculty Grievances Procedures updated to adopt the Faculty Ombudsteam to serve a role in resolution of faculty grievances. See attached Circular 2020-13 for a summary and Circular 2020-11 for actual changes.</p> <p>Adopted at the May 5 Faculty Council Meeting, effective immediately.</p>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amend Constitution to extend voting rights and representation on the Faculty Council to Non-Tenure Track Faculty.</li> </ul> | <p>COMPLETED.</p> <p>Numerous revisions were made to the Constitution and Bylaws to incorporate Non-Tenure Track Faculty into voting, representation and leadership roles on the Faculty Council. See attached Circular 2020-13 for a summary and Circulars 20-12.1 and 2020-11 for actual changes.</p> <p>Bylaws changes adopted at the May 5 Faculty Council Meeting.</p> <p>Constitution changes passed at May 5 meeting, now to be taken to the entire voting faculty for approval.</p> |

**Action Items to be carried over to 2019-2020:**

| Action Item(s)                  | Status |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| No remaining open action items. |        |

**Suggested new action items for 2019-2020:**

| Action Item(s) | Status |
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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Please see the attached Constitution and Bylaws revisions as circulated to the Faculty Council for vote. Over the summer, Karen Lee will prepare the final revised version for publication to the Faculty Council site.

Circular 20-12.1 Constitution Changes

[https://facultycouncil.iupui.edu/FCContent/Html/Media/FCContent/governance/circular20-12.1\\_Constitution-4-21-20REVISEDRAFT.pdf](https://facultycouncil.iupui.edu/FCContent/Html/Media/FCContent/governance/circular20-12.1_Constitution-4-21-20REVISEDRAFT.pdf)

Circular 2020-11 Bylaw Changes

[https://facultycouncil.iupui.edu/FCContent/Html/Media/FCContent/committees/C-B/Bylaws-4-21-20\\_REVISED\\_DRAFT.pdf](https://facultycouncil.iupui.edu/FCContent/Html/Media/FCContent/committees/C-B/Bylaws-4-21-20_REVISED_DRAFT.pdf)

Circular 2020-13 Guide to the Constitution and Bylaws Changes

[https://facultycouncil.iupui.edu/FCContent/Html/Media/FCContent/committees/C-B/IFC\\_CB\\_changes\\_guide\\_4-21-20.pdf](https://facultycouncil.iupui.edu/FCContent/Html/Media/FCContent/committees/C-B/IFC_CB_changes_guide_4-21-20.pdf)

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