## THE CONSTITUTION

of the FACULTY OF

## INDIANA UNIVERSITY PURDUE UNIVERSITY COLUMBUS

## ARTICLE I. THE FACULTY

## A. Faculty Composition

The faculty of Indiana University Purdue University Columbus, hereafter referred to as "the Faculty," shall be composed of the Vice Chancellor and Dean and individuals holding full-time rank at Indiana University Purdue University Columbus (hereafter referred to as "IUPUC"). This definition shall include all persons holding full-time faculty appointments as tenured and tenure-eligible faculty and librarians, lecturers, clinical and visiting appointments.

## B. Presiding Officer

1. The presiding officer of the Faculty shall be a President. To be elected, the President must receive a majority of the votes cast, contingent upon receiving at least 50 percent of the ballots issued. Any non-visiting member of the Faculty not holding an administrative appointment shall be eligible to serve as President of the Faculty. The President or delegate shall represent the Faculty to administrators of IUPUC, IUPUI, Purdue University, Indiana University and to other appropriate bodies.
2. The President shall be elected for a term of two years. The President shall be elected in the Spring semester of even years.

## C. Certification of the Faculty

As appointments by the Trustees occur, the Vice Chancellor and Dean shall communicate to the President of the Faculty the name, rank, and tenure status of each person holding an academic appointment at IUPUC.

## ARTICLE II. LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE FACULTY

## A. General Sources of Authority of the Faculty

In accordance with the laws of the State of Indiana, and subject to the authority of the Boards of Trustees of Indiana University and Purdue University duly delegated to the Faculty, this constitution confirms and establishes in the Faculty the general power and responsibility to adopt policies and regulations, and to determine procedures for their implementation in order to achieve the educational objectives of IUPUC and the general welfare of those involved in its educational objectives.

Nothing in this constitution shall be interpreted as abrogating the agreement for the management of Indiana University Purdue University at Indianapolis executed by the two Boards on February 1, 1971, unless or until such time as that agreement is modified or terminated.

## B. Specific Legislative Authority of the Faculty

The Faculty shall retain and exercise powers and duties pertaining to the formulation of goals and standards for undergraduate and graduate education at IUPUC. The Faculty shall:

1. Recommend standards of admission, academic placement, and retention of students within IUPUC.
2. Develop course content and instructional and examination procedures, schedule classes, and determine the curricula of IUPUC subject to the interests of the Universities.
3. Nominate candidates for degrees.
4. Determine Faculty status.
5. Serve with other bodies of the University to recommend standards and procedures for Faculty appointment, promotion and tenure, as well as conduct and discipline.
6. Advise the Trustees and administrative officers on all matters concerning other privileges and the general welfare of the Faculty.
7. Recommend standards and procedures for Faculty participation in the appointment of academic administrative officers of IUPUC.
8. Regulate athletic and other extracurricular activities at IUPUC.
9. Advise the Vice Chancellor and Dean of IUPUC concerning the policies and administration of the service organizations of IUPUC.
10. Advise the Vice Chancellor and Dean of IUPUC concerning policies of research and public service.
11. Advise the Boards of Trustees and authorities in the official chain from the Vice Chancellor and Dean of IUPUC to the Boards concerning changes in academic organization at all levels.
12. Advise the Boards of Trustees and authorities in the official chain from the Vice Chancellor and Dean of IUPUC to the Boards concerning IUPUC's existing or proposed physical facilities, staff, and general budgeting as they relate to academic objectives.
13. Recommend other educational policies and procedures as the Faculty sees a need.
14. Request information from the Boards and administrative officers on matters of interest to the Faculty, discuss all matters pertaining to the Universities, and offer recommendations thereon at all levels of administration.

## ARTICLE III. CONVOCATIONS OF THE FACULTY

The Vice Chancellor and Dean of IUPUC shall convene the Faculty at least once during each of the Fall and Spring academic terms. Business may be transacted by a quorum of fifty percent of the certified faculty.

## ARTICLE IV. LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE FACULTY

The Faculty delegates and conveys its legislative and policy-making powers to a representative body of the Faculty known as the IUPUC Faculty Senate, hereafter referred to as the "Senate". The Faculty may invite one or more representatives of the adjunct faculty to membership in the Faculty Senate.
A. The Senate shall be subject to review and check by the Faculty through either of the following procedures:

1. Any action taken by the Senate may be referred back to the Senate for mandatory reconsideration if, within two weeks after circulation of the Senate Minutes covering the action, a petition by at least 25 percent of the certified Faculty stating the objections of the petitioners is received by the presiding officer of the Senate or, in his/her absence, in accordance with the procedures stated in the Bylaws.
2. At any convocation of the Faculty, past actions of the Senate may be brought to the floor for discussion. If a majority of those present reject a previous action of the Senate, the Senate must reconsider its action at its next regular meeting.

In either of the above two procedures, if the Senate reaffirms its original action in unamended form, the issue must be submitted along with appropriate documents summarizing the opposing views to a ballot of the Faculty. The decision will be determined by a plurality of votes cast.
B. The Senate shall act as the agent of the Faculty in all interactions with IUPUC, Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis and the Boards of Trustees and authorities in the official chain from the School to the Boards.
C. The Senate shall convene regularly during the academic year.

## ARTICLE V. BOARDS OF THE FACULTY

The Faculty shall establish boards, which shall study, or oversee, and make recommendations regarding those issues that the Faculty believes require continuous monitoring. These boards are subject to review periodically by the Faculty Senate.

## ARTICLE VI. PROVISIONS FOR AMENDMENT

A. Amendments to this constitution may be proposed by the Faculty in any one of the following ways:

1. By presenting a proposal to the Senate as a regular order of business. A simple majority of Senators shall be sufficient to approve it.
2. By a petition to the Senate, signed by 25 percent of the certified Faculty. The Senate shall receive such petitions and place them on its agenda for action.
3. By a petition signed by 25 percent of the certified Faculty for direct Faculty vote.
B. A proposed amendment shall be submitted to the Faculty by ballot; any such ballot shall have a return date. Contingent upon receiving at least 50 percent of the ballots issued, a two-thirds affirmative vote of the returned ballots shall constitute adoption.
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## BYLAWS

of the FACULTY

## OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY PURDUE UNIVERSITY COLUMBUS

The Faculty of Indiana University Purdue University Columbus set forth the following bylaws:
BYLAW ARTICLE I. Convocations of the Faculty
A. The Vice Chancellor and Dean of Indiana University Purdue University Columbus (hereafter referred to as "IUPUC") shall call at least one convocation of the Faculty at the beginning of each Fall and Spring academic semester. The Vice Chancellor and Dean shall set and publicize the specific time and place of such convocations after consultation with the Executive Committee of the Senate.
B. The Vice Chancellor and Dean or his/her appointed representative shall preside.
C. A special convocation of the Faculty shall be convened when at least 25 percent of the Faculty so petition the Vice Chancellor and Dean.
D. The Executive Committee of the Senate shall assist the Vice Chancellor and Dean in establishing the agenda for convocations. Any item may be brought up for discussion at any convocation and the Senate petitioned for action by a majority of the convened faculty.

BYLAW ARTICLE II. Administrative Committees
The Nominations Committee shall assist the Vice Chancellor and Dean in selecting faculty members to serve on Administrative Committees. Administrative Committees are created by administrative action and report to the campus administration rather than to the Faculty Senate. The Faculty shall be informed of the activities, studies, and recommendations of any committee on which faculty members are asked to serve. Any major policy decisions made by Administrative Committees shall be reviewed by the Senate.

## BYLAW ARTICLE III. Ad Hoc and Other Relevant Committees and Boards

The following boards and committees are designed to be permanent boards and committees of the Faculty and are subject to periodic review by the Faculty:
A. Unit Promotion and Tenure Committee

The tenured faculty of the IUPUC academic divisions and the Library (hereafter referred to as "academic unit") shall, in full consultation with the Vice Chancellor and Dean, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, academic unit heads, and the Faculty Senate, determine the policies and procedures of a Unit Promotion and Tenure Committee. The membership, term of membership, and the duties and responsibilities of the Unit Promotion and Tenure Committee shall be presented for information of the Faculty.
B. Primary Promotion and Tenure Committee

The permanent full-time faculty of each IUPUC academic unit shall, in full consultation with the Vice Chancellor and Dean, the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, and the Faculty Senate, determine the policies and procedures of a Primary Promotion and Tenure Committee for that division. The membership, term of membership, and the duties and responsibilities of the divisional Primary Promotion and Tenure Committee shall be presented for information of the Faculty.

## C. Grievance Board

1. Membership. Each academic unit shall elect a representative to serve as a member of the Grievance Board. That representative shall be a tenured faculty member; in the event that a division has no tenured faculty member, it may elect a non-tenured faculty member. All grievance or tenure-related concerns may be voted on only by faculty holding equal or higher rank. The Chair of the Grievance Board must be a tenured faculty member and shall be elected annually by the members of the Board.
2. Terms. Members shall be elected for two year terms. Approximately half of the members shall be elected each year.
3. Duties and Procedures.
a. The Grievance Board shall promptly hear any grievance case brought to it by any member of the Faculty. The grievances may relate to individual rights, benefits, working conditions, appointment, tenure, promotion, reassignment, but shall not be
limited to these.
b. Faculty in Core schools may follow the grievance process of the Core school or the IUPUC process.
c. After hearing the case, the Board shall recommend action on the matter to appropriate persons or bodies. A report on the Board's recommendations shall be sent to the grievant, with copies to the Vice Chancellor and Dean and the President of the Faculty.
d. IUPUC faculty have the right to appeal the IUPUC grievance findings through the IFC grievance process.

## BYLAW ARTICLE IV. IUPUC Faculty Senate

A. Membership of the Senate

1. Composition. The Senate shall be composed as follows:
a. Two full-time Faculty members elected from each academic unit.
b. Two adjunct faculty members, as determined by the Faculty, selected by a vote of the adjunct faculty.
c. The Vice Chancellor and Dean of IUPUC, who shall be an ex officio non-voting member of the Senate.
d. If not already an elected member of the Senate, academic unit heads shall be ex officio non-voting members of the Senate.
e. If not already an elected member of the Senate, the IUPUC representative to the IUPUI Faculty Council shall be an ex officio non-voting member of the Senate.
f. Two at-large Faculty members, elected by the Faculty.
2. Election of Senators
a. The normal term of an elected Senator shall be two years, beginning at the start of the academic year following election. Half of the Senators will be elected each year.
b. Annual elections shall take place in the month of April. The President of the Faculty may not concurrently serve as an elected Senator or alternate representing her/his academic division.
c. Elected Senators representing the divisions shall be chosen by vote within academic units.
d. Each division will elect two alternate members each year who may represent the division in the absence of an elected Senator. Alternates will have the full rights of a Senator for that meeting.
e. Two at-large Senators shall be chosen each year by vote of the Faculty. The Faculty will also elect two alternate members each year who may represent the Faculty in the absence of an elected atlarge Senator. These persons will have the full rights of a Senator for that meeting.
f. Adjunct faculty shall elect two Senators and two alternates from their ranks. If any adjunct Senator is not under contract with IUPUC for a given semester, the alternate shall serve in place of that Senator for the period of time that the elected adjunct Senator is not under contract. If in a given semester there is no adjunct Senator or alternate under contract; the adjunct faculty shall elect Senators to serve for that semester only.

## 3. Vacancies

In the case of a vacancy in a Senate position, one of the two alternates elected by the division, the Faculty, or the adjunct faculty will be selected by the body to assume the Senator position representing that constituency for the remainder of the original Senator's term. That body will elect another faculty member to serve as alternate Senator for the remainder of the year.
4. Recall
a. In the case of a Senator who is unduly absent, the Senate may petition the division from which he/she is serving to recall the Senator and require the academic unit the senator represented to elect another. To pass a recall petition, the affirmative vote by secret ballot of two-thirds of the Senators present at a regular meeting shall be required.
b. An academic unit may recall any of its Senators by a majority vote of the division at any time.
B. Meetings and Operation of the Senate

1. Meetings
a. No later than one week after the Fall Convocation of the Faculty, the Senate shall, in consultation with the Vice Chancellor and Dean, determine a schedule of monthly meetings, September through May. The schedule shall then be distributed to the Faculty. The date of the monthly meeting may under unusual circumstances be changed by action of the Executive Committee. Changes are to be announced at least one week in advance of the actual date of the meeting.
b. The Senate may be convened for special sessions
(1) by the Vice Chancellor and Dean of IUPUC, or
(2) by the Executive Committee, or
(3) upon petition of 25 percent of the Senate, or
(4) in the case of request for reconsideration of a Senate action, when 25 percent of the Faculty so petition.

## 2. Operation

a. Presiding Officer. The presiding officer of the Senate shall be the President of the Faculty. In the absence of the President, the Secretary shall preside. If neither the President nor the Secretary is present, the meeting will be postponed.
b. Secretary. The Secretary shall be elected from the voting faculty membership of the Senate. The Secretary's duties shall be to keep and distribute accurate minutes of Senate meetings.
c. Quorum. Fifty percent of the voting members of the Senate shall constitute a quorum. During the absence of a Senator, only the alternate member of the division shall be permitted to serve and be included in the quorum count.
d. Attendance at Meetings. Meetings of the Senate will be open to all faculty members, as observers, and to other persons invited to attend by the Executive Committee or the presiding officer. The presiding officer, at any time, may grant a faculty member who is not a Senator the privilege of the floor upon his or her request.
e. Order of Business. The normal order of business at each regular meeting of the Senate shall be as presented in Robert's Rules of Order.
f. $\quad$ Agenda. The agenda for a regular meeting of the Senate, as prepared by the Executive Committee, shall be distributed to the members of the Faculty at least five days before that meeting. In the case of special meetings, the agenda shall be available to members of the Faculty at least two days before that meeting. The agenda shall indicate what Senate documents are to be dealt with, what committees are to report, and what petitions or motions are to be presented. Allotments of time for presentation of reports or documents may be indicated at the discretion of the Executive Committee. The agenda prepared by the Executive Committee may be modified by the Senate by consent or by a majority vote.

## g. Voting

(1) Decisions of the Senate shall be determined by a majority vote of those Senators present and voting, unless contrary requirements are specified elsewhere in these Bylaws or in the Constitution of the Faculty.
(2) Upon all occasions when a majority vote is not apparent after oral voting, any Senate member may call for a vote by show of hands, and the presiding officer shall honor that request.
(3) When two or more persons have been nominated for the same elective position, the vote shall be by written ballot.
h. Implementation of Senate Actions. The Vice Chancellor and Dean of IUPUC shall be responsible for taking the immediate actions called for by decisions of the Senate. He/she shall report actions taken at the next meeting of the Senate.
i. Minutes. The minutes of each meeting shall be distributed to members of the Faculty within ten (10) days after the date of the meeting at which the minutes are approved.

BYLAW ARTICLE V. Standing Committees of the Senate
All standing committees shall be directly responsible to the Senate.
Members of committees shall be recommended by the Nominating Committee for election by the Faculty. The terms of committee membership shall begin on August 1. Confirmation by the Senate of committee members for the following academic year shall take place prior to the end of the Spring Semester. Election of committee chairs by the incoming Senate shall take place at a special Senate meeting called in early May by the President-Elect of the Faculty.

In the case of a vacancy in the position of Chair of a Faculty Senate Committee, the Executive Committee will name a replacement Chair who will serve in that capacity until the next election cycle. Committee members will be replaced by the unit they were elected to represent or if elected by the faculty will be replaced by the Executive Committee until the next election cycle.

Each standing committee shall report to the Senate at the request of the Senate or the Executive Committee. Annually, each standing committee shall submit a written report to be distributed to the Faculty.
A. Executive Committee.

1. Membership. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President of the Faculty, who shall serve as chair of the committee, the chairs of the standing committees, and the Vice Chancellor and Dean who shall be an ex officio non-voting member. The Secretary of the Senate shall serve as secretary of the committee. When chairs of standing committees are unable to attend meetings of the Executive Committee, they shall designate a member of their committee to attend meetings and act on their behalf.
2. Meetings. Meetings of the committee may be called by the President of the Faculty, by the Vice Chancellor and Dean, or by petition of a majority of the members of the committee. By majority vote, the Senate may direct the President of the Faculty to call a meeting of this committee.
3. Duties and Responsibilities.
a. The Executive Committee shall propose for Senate approval the agenda for every session of the Senate. It shall insure the distribution of the agenda to each member of the Faculty.
b. This committee shall assist the Vice Chancellor and Dean in selecting the dates for and in preparing the agenda of convocations of the Faculty.
c. The committee shall schedule annual reports of the standing committees of the Faculty.
d. The committee shall receive communications from any Faculty member or group of Faculty members who wish to present any proposal before any meeting of the Senate. The committee shall determine the appropriate venue for addressing faculty concerns.

If a proposal is referred to a Faculty committee or Faculty board for study, the committee(s) or board(s) concerned shall submit
their recommendations concerning the proposal, together with the proposal in its proposer's original or amended form, to the Executive Committee within thirty days of referral. This committee will be required, unless the proposer desires otherwise, to place the proposal and any committee recommendations regarding the proposal on the agenda of the next regular meeting of the Senate.
e. This committee may enable representatives of the IUPUC Staff Council or Student Council to present their recommendations at appropriate times to the Senate for consideration and action.
f. This committee should arrange for attendance at the appropriate Senate meeting of any person or persons who may have special resources that might aid the Senate in its deliberation on specific agenda issues.
g. This committee shall coordinate the activities of the committees of the Faculty on common, related, or interdependent matters.
h. This committee shall advise the administration on matters of concern to the University.
i. This committee shall assist the Vice Chancellor and Dean in implementing the Senate's decisions.
j. This committee shall act for the Senate in emergency situations when time does not permit Senate action.
k. This committee shall act for the Senate during the summer when a quorum of the Senate may not be available.
4. Limitations of Duties and Responsibilities.

Decisions of the Executive Committee under the provisions of j and $\underline{\mathrm{k}}$ above shall be held to a minimum, and at the first Senate meeting to follow, the committee shall report such actions to the Senate, which by a majority vote may reverse or alter such decisions.

## B. Nominations Committee

1. Membership. The Nominations Committee shall consist of four faculty members from IUPUC. At any one time, these four faculty members should represent a minimum of three divisions of IUPUC. At least half of the committee being elected each year, all divisions will be represented every six years. Academic units with fewer than three members have the
option to not be included in the membership rotation until they have three or more members. The committee chair will be responsible for maintaining records to ensure proper unit rotation. The chair of the committee shall be elected annually by the Senate from the members of the committee.
2. Terms. Members shall serve two-year terms. Approximately half of the members shall be elected each year.
3. Recall. In the case of a committee member who is unduly absent, the committee chair may petition the Senate to elect another. To pass a recall petition, the affirmative vote by secret ballot of two-thirds of the Senators present at a regular meeting shall be required. An election of the Faculty will take place to fill the vacancy.
4. Duties and Responsibilities.
a. This committee shall assist the Vice Chancellor and Dean in selecting faculty to serve on Administrative Committees.
b. This committee shall solicit nominations from the Faculty for positions elected by the Faculty of IUPUC: President of the Faculty, adjunct Senators, alternates to the adjunct Senators, Senators at-large, alternates to Senators at-large, Nominations Committee, and Constitution and Bylaws Committee. Further, this committee shall solicit nominations from the Faculty for a tenured or tenure-track faculty member to be elected as the IUPUC representative to the IUPUI Faculty Council.
c. This committee shall establish election procedures and certify the results to the Senate and the Faculty.
d. This committee shall solicit from each academic unit the names of faculty selected by that body to represent that constituency on the Grievance Board, the Faculty Affairs Committee, the Academic Affairs Committee, the Budgetary and Resources Policy Committee, and the Student Affairs Committee.
e. This committee shall nominate faculty members to serve as chairs of standing committees for election by the Senate, as provided in Section V, C through F, of these Bylaws.
f. This committee shall maintain records of membership of Faculty boards and committees, and establish patterns of rotation of terms.
g. The committee will verify in every case that any nomination is made with the prior consent of the person(s) nominated.
C. Faculty Affairs Committee
5. Membership. The Faculty Affairs Committee shall consist of one faculty member nominated from each IUPUC academic unit. The chair of the committee shall be elected annually by the Senate from the members of the committee.
6. Terms. Members shall serve two-year terms. Approximately half of the members shall be nominated each year.
7. Duties and Responsibilities. This committee shall review and advise the Senate on those matters which pertain primarily to the responsibilities, rights, privileges, opportunities, and welfare of the Faculty, collectively and individually. These matters include, but are not limited to, policies and procedures related to tenure and academic promotion, insurance and health program planning, academic responsibilities, standards of appointment and retention, professional development, faculty workload, salary policy, and policies regarding outside activities (consulting, intellectual property, patents/royalties, conflicts of interest) and sabbaticals/administrative leaves. In addition, this committee shall conduct regular reviews of faculty development awards and school development awards and make recommendations regarding policies and procedures for these awards.
D. Academic Affairs Committee
8. Membership. The Academic Affairs Committee shall consist of one faculty member nominated from each IUPUC academic division, the Director of Registrar Services who shall serve ex-officio without vote, and an administrative representative from University College appointed by the Vice Chancellor and Dean who shall serve ex-officio without vote. The chair of the committee shall be elected annually by the Senate from the members of the committee.
9. Terms. Members shall serve two-year terms. Approximately half of the members shall be nominated each year.
10. Duties and Responsibilities. This committee shall review and advise the Senate on matters such as improvement of instruction, grades and grading, scholastic probation, dismissal for academic reasons and reinstatement, standards for admission, academic placement, the academic calendar, policies for scheduling classes, honors programs, general educational policy, general research policies, military training programs, and interdepartmental and inter-institutional research and educational programs.

The committee shall also review and recommend action on all new undergraduate course offerings; review and recommend action on all new undergraduate programs or degrees prior to proper administrative action; review and recommend action on the deletion of any undergraduate course, program, or degree; and coordinate all undergraduate curricula at IUPUC, reserving for divisions the right to act on curricular matters and alterations of programs and degrees.

## E. Student Affairs Committee

1. Membership. The Student Affairs Committee shall consist of one faculty member nominated from each IUPUC academic units, one PCOT faculty member, two student members elected by the student governing unit of IUPUC, and an administrative representative appointed by the Vice Chancellor and Dean who shall serve ex-officio without vote. The chair of the committee shall have the option of requesting the Vice Chancellor and Dean to appoint the student members if the student governing unit fails to elect members by the second meeting of the Executive Committee. The chair of the committee shall be elected annually by the Senate from the faculty members of the committee.
2. Terms. Members of the committee shall serve for two-year terms. Approximately half of the faculty members shall be nominated each year.
3. Duties and Responsibilities. The committee shall review and advise the Senate on matters having to do with the general social, cultural, and practical welfare of all students of the University. The major responsibility of the committee is to serve as a liaison between the Faculty Senate and the Student Council of IUPUC. Specific non-classroom matters of concern to this committee shall include, but not be limited to, intramural athletics, counseling, scholarships, loans, conduct and discipline, health, living conditions, student political activities and organizations, Student Government actions and recommendations, extracurricular activities, provision of equal rights and opportunities, and any other matters which would enhance the University environment of the student for learning and living.

## F. Budgetary and Resources Policy Committee

1. Membership. The Budgetary and Resources Policy Committee shall consist of one faculty member nominated from each IUPUC academic unit and an administrative representative appointed by the Vice Chancellor and Dean who shall serve ex-officio without vote. The chair of the committee shall be elected annually by the Senate from the faculty members of the committee.
2. Terms. Members shall serve two-year terms. Approximately half of the members shall be nominated each year.
3. Duties and Responsibilities. This committee shall inform the Senate on budgeting procedures, points of potential faculty input into budgetary decisions and other appropriate financial matters, and shall advise the Vice Chancellor and Dean through the Senate on budgetary matters affecting the academic mission of IUPUC. This committee shall also review and advise the Vice Chancellor and Dean through the Senate on matters such as: planning and optimal utilization of the physical facilities of the University, including buildings, scientific and other equipment, Library, educational aids, and computing facilities and services.
G. Constitution and Bylaws Committee
4. Membership. The Constitution and Bylaws Committee shall consist of three faculty members nominated from IUPUC academic units. The chair of the committee shall be elected annually by the Senate from the members of the committee.
5. Terms. Members shall serve two-year terms. Half of the members shall be nominated each year.
6. Recall. In the case of a committee member who is unduly absent, the committee chair may petition the Senate to elect another. To pass a recall petition, the affirmative vote by secret ballot of two-thirds of the Senators present at a regular meeting shall be required. An election of the Faculty will take place to fill the vacancy.
7. Duties and Responsibilities. This committee shall review the Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty from time to time, shall draft amendments to propose to the Senate for approval, shall consult with faculty members who wish to propose amendments, and shall provide interpretation of the Constitution and Bylaws when needed. The committee shall monitor changes in IUPUI and IU faculty governance documents and advise the Senate regarding such changes.

## BYLAW ARTICLE VI. Assurance and Assignment

Any and all members of the Faculty of IUPUC are assured of audience before any committee or board, provided that in addition to the opportunity to express verbally any concern, there is in writing a proposal and/or resolution in proper form to be referred either to a committee, board, or to the Senate.

Amendments to the Bylaws of the Faculty consistent with the Constitution of the Faculty may be adopted by vote of two-thirds of those Senators present and voting at a regular meeting of the Senate, after the text of the proposed amendment has been distributed with the agenda for that meeting. If the proposed amendment is approved by a simple majority of those voting, but not by two-thirds of those voting, it may then be adopted at the next regular meeting by vote of a simple majority of those present and voting.

## BYLAW ARTICLE VIII. Rules of Order

The Faculty Senate shall be governed by its own particular set of rules known as Bylaws and by Robert's Rules of Order. Any exceptions to such shall be decided by the Faculty Senate.
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