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## PROPOSAL TO THE ACADEMIC SENATE

TITLE: Definition of Faculty and Voting Procedures Related to Academic Freedom and Tenure

SUBMITTED BY: Faculty Affairs Committee of the Academic Senate

DATE: December 7, 1997 APPROVED BY: Executive Committee of the Academic Senate

ACTION IS: Legislative

REFERENCE IS: Faculty Handbook, Pg. 47-48

### DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:

The Faculty Affairs Committee of the Academic Senate has reviewed the procedures for faculty voting on issues related to academic freedom and tenure. Having reviewed these procedures, the Faculty Affairs Committee makes the attached recommendation.

**Recommendation from  
the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Academic Senate  
on Definition of Faculty and  
Voting Procedures**

Having reviewed the procedures for faculty voting on issues related to academic freedom and tenure, the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Academic Senate makes this recommendation.

Revise Article II, Section B (1) c by replacing the second sentence (the last sentence of the section) with the following:

“While the Academic Senate has the responsibility for discussion of all policies pertaining to academic freedom and tenure, policies on academic freedom and tenure do not take effect until the following conditions are met:

1. More than 50% of the university faculty vote by written ballot;
2. More than 50% of those voting approve of the proposed policies;
3. The proposed policies are ratified by the President of the University and the Board of Trustees.

For purposes of voting, the University Faculty consists of all tenured and tenure-track faculty except those in the positions of Dean, Vice-President, Provost, President, and Associates and Assistants to these positions. A list of those eligible to vote on policies pertaining to academic freedom and tenure will be maintained by the Provost and will be available to all eligible voting faculty.”