

Faculty Senate Agenda
December 6, 2021
3:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

ATTENDANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 1, 2021

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: David McFaddin

PROVOST'S REPORT: Sara Zeigler

GUEST SPEAKERS:

- Beth Polin – Faculty Advocate
- Jenna Smith – SGA Update

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- *(if any)*

NEW BUSINESS:

- Report from Council on Academic Affairs – Associate Provost Wies
[See separate [PDF file](#) for the curriculum forms - 6 pages]
- Other *(if any)*

REPORTS & QUESTIONS:

Executive Committee: Senator Crosby
Faculty Regent: Senator Marion
COSFL Representative: Senator Burns

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Academic Quality Committee: Senator Sands, Chair
Budget Committee: Senator Yow, Chair
Elections/University Nominations Committee: Senator Schilling, Chair
(Faculty Regent Election Criteria, Sample Petition & Timeline)
Information Technology Committee: Senators Alvarez & Hight, Co-Chairs
Rights & Responsibilities Committee: Senator Nachtwey, Chair
Rules Committee: Senators Bishop-Ross & Kay Co-Chairs
Welfare Committee: Senator Blair, Chair

AD HOC COMMITTEES:

Review Open Educational Resources: Senator Marion *(reporting for Kelly Smith, Chair)*

ADJOURNMENT

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

November 1, 2021

3:30 p.m.

The Faculty Senate of Eastern Kentucky University met on Monday, November 1, 2021 via Zoom. Chair Crosby called the third meeting of the academic year to order at approximately 3:30 p.m.

The following members were absent: A. Burns*^, B. Clark*, A. Schilling*

** Indicates prior notification of absence*

^ ALT Raymond Lauk attended for A. Burns

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Senator Streetman moved approval of the October 4, 2021 minutes as written, seconded by Senator Winslow. **Motion carried.**

REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT: David McFaddin

Many thanks to our faculty for navigating the challenges and opportunities of a full return to on-campus classes, activities, and support services. Providing personal attention and individualized support is a key ingredient in the Exceptional Eastern Experience. Some of our students need that attention and support now more than ever. Thank you for steering them in the right direction and helping them to persist.

EKU hosted our third Enrollment Summit last week with an amazing team of enrollment management, academic affairs and support services departments. During that meeting we were able to celebrate our significant growth in new students and acknowledge that preliminary data shows ECU to be the only public university in Kentucky to post a positive growth in new first-time undergraduate students. Our 8.4% increase represents an amazing achievement by our team and is a promising indicator of success yet to come.

The Board of Regents recently advanced our work toward the 2022-2030 Strategic Plan. Your participation is critical to the completion of the 2022-2030 Strategic Plan. A campus message was delivered last week requesting feedback on the draft plan. As faculty, your experience and knowledge is important during this final portion of the process. Please consider thoughtfully where we are going in this next phase in the life of our University and how your role is crucial to our vision that we will “be excellent in all that we choose to do.”

There will be three commencement ceremonies for our fall graduates on December 3 and 4 in Alumni Coliseum. Commencement is an important transition point for our students, their families, as well as the life of our University. It is important to pause and reflect on their contributions and achievements and wish them well in their future endeavors.

While COVID-19 positivity rates and the impact on our local community and the campus continue to decline at an accelerated rate, we will continue to require masking indoors throughout the balance of the fall semester. We will work with our local experts to formulate a plan for the winter term and spring semester that will be communicated out to campus prior to the end of the fall semester. The greatest tool we have to combat this pandemic continues to be vaccinations. We are pleased to now have the Pfizer vaccination option on campus as an

additional choice for students and faculty. We continue to encourage, educate and provide ample opportunities for everyone in the ECU family to get those much-needed vaccinations. If you have any questions, please visit www.staywell.ecu.edu for more information.

REPORT FROM THE PROVOST: Sara Zeigler

There will be town halls scheduled on Monday and Tuesday next week for the strategic plan. Please make every effort to participate in those as it is your first opportunity to shape the strategic plan which will influence the strategic plans for all of your areas.

Our third Enrollment Summit was held last week. The part most pertinent to all of you is that your teams will be working closely with me to develop some specific strategies on recruitment and retention that pertain to the programs in your areas. The deans will be meeting with me to develop a one-to-two-page plan, including the kind of support that you will need as faculty to participate in those initiatives.

There are currently four deans searches underway.

- Earlier today a memo was distributed to the campus on the search committee membership for the Dean of Health Sciences search. A variety of listening sessions will be conducted over the coming weeks and into the beginning of the spring semester which will be open to a variety of constituents.
- Interviews are being completed with finalists for the Dean of Justice, Safety and Military Science this week and the position will hopefully be filled soon.
- There are about 10 semi-finalists interviews for the CLASS position which are scheduled for next week. Hopefully, the finalists will be announced shortly.
- The search for the Business Dean is a little behind schedule. Semi-finalists should be identified sometime in November and finalist interviews will be scheduled on campus in the spring.

The final announcement is that the promised request for proposals on interdisciplinary and cross-college collaborations should be sent out via email tomorrow, and that will contain a link with all of the materials needed to submit a proposal by early January.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Student Government Association: Paige Murphy reported the following for Jenna Smith:

- Work continues on the upcoming mental health week. Faculty are encouraged to send resources and ideas to jenna.smith@ecu.edu.
- Thanks to President McFaddin and our advisors for coming to the meeting on Friday to get our opinion on a possible vaccine mandate at ECU. While the Student Senate was largely in favor of the vaccine mandate, it should be noted that we don't believe that is an accurate view of the overall student opinion.

NEW BUSINESS:

[Academic Regulation 3.1.2 – Naming of University Property and Programs](#). Chair Crosby introduced Academic Regulation 3.1.2 for information only. (See also: [Supporting Memo](#))

Budget Committee Election (1 vacancy). Senator Cizmar volunteered to fill the vacancy and was unanimously accepted by acclamation

REPORT FROM SENATE CHAIR: Senator Crosby

The Provost announced that there would be a call for proposals for cross-college collaboration, with \$100,000 set aside to fund them. She also updated us on the four Dean searches and other matters, including the Resolution regarding the vaccine mandate passed by the Senate in October.

The Executive Committee discussed the evaluation of President McFaddin. Members of the Executive Committee will be working on the qualitative and quantitative data as well as preparing and grouping the comments, with the goal of finishing our work around November 5th.

Our standing committees are working on their charges. The Budget Committee is hard at work preparing the budget report for our February meeting. Elections and Nominations will be preparing for the election of the Faculty Regent this year. Academic Quality is in the initial planning stage for a survey of faculty needs (equipment and such). Faculty Welfare is discussing the role of the Faculty Advocate vs the old Ombud position (survey likely to come later) and issues regarding compensation, such as inversion and compression, in addition to basic across the board salary increases. The Rules Committee reported that changes made in the Faculty Handbook (2019 and before) are still not showing up, so they are trying to rectify that situation.

Beth Polin, our Faculty Advocate, has been invited as a guest speaker to our December meeting to talk about her new role and to discuss the comparison with the old Ombud position and her new role and how much her services are being used.

REPORT FROM FACULTY REGENT: Jason Marion

The next meeting of the Board of Regents remains scheduled for Thursday, December 9. The Board of Regents has not met since our last Faculty Senate meeting. The Board's last meeting occurred on September 23 and was described in the prior Faculty Senate meeting report.

My appreciation goes out to you and your faculty colleagues who submitted responses for the Presidential Evaluation. The work on the overall report will start upon the various ongoing constituent group reports being finalized, including that by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. The Board of Regents appreciates your input, the extensive labor of the Senate Executive Committee, the support given by Institutional Research, and the ability to do the process in-house.

Some new items for your consideration or to share with constituents include the following:

- 1) *Strategic Plan Draft for Review*: Please consider reviewing President McFaddin's email message on October 27 seeking feedback on the proposed strategic plan. Included with the email communication from the President's Office is the [draft plan document](#).

- a. *Survey for Feedback:* In the email from October 27, there is a unique Qualtrics survey link seeking your feedback. Feedback is being solicited from multiple constituent groups and having a strong response from faculty would be appreciated.
 - b. *Town Hall Meetings for Feedback:* There are also opportunities to participate in either an in-person town hall and/or virtual town hall. The in-person event will occur on Monday, November 8 at 3 p.m. in O'Donnell Hall located in the Whitlock Building. The virtual meeting will occur via Zoom on November 9 at 3 p.m. The Zoom link information is included in the October 27 email.
- 2) *CPE Strategic Agenda:* Simultaneously, while ECU is developing our most current strategic plan, the Council on Post-Secondary Education is also updating their strategic plan for Kentucky. Recent communications from CPE President Thompson suggest that a major theme within or addressed by the CPE agenda is likely to be “[confronting the workforce crisis](#).” The CPE plan is reported to be released this fall according to CPE communications.
- 3) *ECU Enrollment Summit & Enrollment Trends:* The Board and the University remain heavily focused on enrollment. A substantial amount of the university leadership and staff from several areas of campus met for 3.5 hours on Friday, October 22 in Powell 219 to review recent year's enrollment efforts and trends along while also setting goals for this next year.
- a. Total ECU enrollment as of the time of the summit was 13,997.
 - b. Freshman enrollment (2,529) is up 9%. Transfer enrollment (1,044) is up 11%.
 - c. Nationally, enrollment was down over 3% in 2020. 2021 data were not yet available.
 - d. Nationally, two-year institutions are down 15% in overall enrollment, and KCTCS is down 11%.
 - e. As of October 26, NPR, using National Student Clearinghouse Research Center data, indicates that the decline in undergraduate enrollment nationally for 2021 was 3.2% and it was down 3.4% in 2020. [See the NPR story for more information.](#)
 - f. At two-year institutions, NPR reports that “freshman enrollment is 20.8% below the number for the freshman class in 2019.”
 - g. Going forward, ECU is going to capitalize on success areas and will increase BookSmart public relations. High School and campus visits are encouraged along with continuing to grow corporate educational partnerships.
 - h. ECU expanded its merit scholarship deadline, went to a free application/test optional format, covered all remaining costs for Pell-eligible admitted students, and expanded scholarship opportunities to middle-income students with unmet need, among several other strategies, including greater use of the Slate communications platform.
 - i. For Fall 2022, the university goal is to increase new first-time freshman by 7% to continue to build upon the previous year's 9% increase.
- 1) *Additional info: Cash Benefits to You:* As an aside, a few ways to earn or save a little money through your position at the university, the Staff Regent and I like to share this info:
- a. If you have not used your free Case Dining hall meal swipe from this last year, it remained on your ECU ID for this year. You also have one for this year if you have not yet used it.
 - b. By doing ECU's voluntary health assessment (which takes 15-20 minutes), you earn \$60. [Learn more here.](#)
 - c. Following the voluntary health assessment, you can also schedule and do a health physical and biometric screening and receive \$100. [Learn more here.](#)
 - d. *Although no cash reward, the deadline for Open Enrollment is November 2.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Academic Quality Committee. Senator Sands reported that the committee met for the second time in October. Senator Kay, who was also serves on the Executive Committee, brought back some better instruction from the Executive Committee on our charge of assessing teaching instruction. It looks like we're going to focus more on online teaching and instruction. At present, we plan to meet with Rusty Carpenter and Tim Matthews to see if there is any existing research and/or survey data available on this topic. Depending on the data available, we may

need to do another faculty survey. We're also planning to pull historical data from the University, looking from pre-pandemic through pandemic to post-pandemic to determine what courses are offered asynchronous, synchronous, or hybrid variations.

Budget Committee. Senator Yow stated that the committee met last Monday and made good progress toward putting together a compact budget, as charged. The final report should be available to share with the Senate in February.

Information Technology Committee. Senator Hight reported that the committee met on October 29th. The committee continues to collaborate with EKU Libraries to determine what streaming services are currently being used. A survey will be going out to faculty before Thanksgiving. Please take a moment to complete the survey because the results will be used to determine what resources are going to be made available for use in the spring 2022 semester.

Rights & Responsibilities Committee. Senator Nachtwey shared the [analysis](#) of the data received from the faculty survey on a vaccine mandate. The data showed about a 75/25 split in favor of the vaccine mandate,

Rules Committee Report. Senator Bishop-Ross stated that the committee met on October 25 to begin revising the language in section 7 of the Faculty Handbook. In the process of working on the revisions, the committee has discovered several changes that were previously approved by Senate that are still not available in the latest handbook. Other changes being worked on include the removal of the language that the president and provost are senators, revising the language for term limits, and cleaning up the language involving definitions of faculty.

In addition, reminders have been sent out to standing committee chairs to review their internal procedures and send any updates to the Rules Committee by January 31.

Faculty Welfare Committee. Senator Blair announced that he met recently with Beth Polin, our newly-appointed Faculty Advocate. One of our charges this year is to review the faculty advocate position and gather feedback from faculty on the effectiveness of the new position versus the former Ombud position. The committee will be meeting tomorrow to begin work on a faculty survey.

In addition, we're currently gathering information on compensation matters.

Ad Hoc Committee on OERs. Senator Marion reported that the informational piece on open educational resources/Open Access Week was sent out to all faculty recently.

ADJOURNMENT:

Senator Streetman moved to adjourn at 4:15 p.m., seconded by Senator Grabeel.



David T. McFaddin
President

TO: Eastern Kentucky University Faculty Senate

FROM: President David T. McFaddin

DATE: December 6, 2021

RE: Faculty Senate December Report

This past weekend we proudly watched many of our students walk across the stage for this year's fall commencement ceremonies. It is always gratifying to celebrate that amazing accomplishment with the students and their family and friends. I feel it's also important to take a moment to recognize you, the faculty, as well. It is because of your efforts to help students persist that many of those students were able to walk across the stage and receive a diploma. The past 19 months have presented challenges to many on our campus -- including our faculty -- so please know that your efforts are appreciated.

Strategic Plan

The final draft of the Strategic Plan will be presented to the Board of Regents this week. Thank you for your feedback throughout this process. We know this plan will carve a transformative path for ECU in the region for the next decade and beyond.

Economic Impact Highlights

At this week's Board of Regents meeting, I will be presenting the hard work of our colleagues. Our researchers estimate ECU generates \$580.63 million dollars in university, student, and visitor expenditures each year, supporting more than 6,600 jobs and \$247.01 million in labor income in Madison County and the surrounding region. Thank you to Dr. James Maples, Dr. James Blair, and Kobe Perry for their work on this excellent report. I encourage you to review [The Economic Impact of Eastern Kentucky University 2021 Edition](#).

Performance Distribution

In appreciation for your hard work and dedication, especially during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic emergency, I'm happy to announce that I will be recommending to the Board of Regents a \$1,000 distribution for every full-time employee hired before September 30, 2021.

If approved, the distribution, excluding required withholdings, will be issued on your final payroll in December 2021.

Healthy You Incentive Payment

Additionally, I will be recommending to the Board of Regents a \$500 incentive payment, excluding required withholdings, through the ECU's Wellness Program available for all benefit-eligible part- and full-time employees who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

If you have been fully vaccinated and have uploaded your vaccine status by November 30, 2021, you will receive this incentive payment in January 2022. Please note, if you are not vaccinated and want to take advantage of this opportunity, or if you have been vaccinated and have not uploaded your vaccination status, you have until February 28, 2022, to show proof of vaccination to receive the \$500 incentive payment in the spring.

Mask Optional Status

Collectively, our efforts help to limit the spread of COVID-19, ensuring a healthy and safe campus community. We will continue with masking indoors on campus through December 5, 2021. From December 6, 2021, through January 14, 2022, masks will be optional for employees and students in both indoor and outdoor settings. In addition, events hosted on campus during this time will also be mask optional. Due to the continually changing environment of the virus, we will reevaluate masking policies for the spring semester and release a plan before January 16, 2022.

Domestic and International Travel

In other COVID news, domestic and international travel on behalf of ECU is now reauthorized. For international travel, full vaccination is required unless an exemption is approved. For full details on the updated travel policy, visit the travel site at the [ECU Travel Regulations](#) page.

Winter Term Enrollment

This year we moved the Fall Semester back a week early to put us in line with the standard 16-week semester that is seen by our sister institutions. The Winter Term enrollment increased in total enrollment over the last year by more than 43%, with total hours of classes enrolled at approximately 50% more than last year.

Optional Retirement Account

For those that participate in ECU's Optional Retirement Program (ORP), you should have received a memo via email indicating that effective January 1, 2022, the University's contribution rate to the ORP will be increased from 8.74% to 10% with your employee contribution remaining the same at 6.16%. This change will be applied automatically. This is a correction to the *2022 Employee Benefits Guide*.

Accomplishments

As we head into the final month of the year, it's important to reflect upon some of the accomplishments we have made together to make 2021 a year to remember. So often, we fail to pause before jumping to the next item on our to-do lists. Let's look at a few of those achievements here:

- Every undergraduate student received free textbooks through ECU BookSmart.
- We experienced the biggest year of giving in school history, which will allow us to provide more opportunities to students as they pursue their educational goals.
- Students are better equipped to pursue those educational goals through ECUOnline, which offers more programs and more flexibility than ever.
- Our work with student veterans is recognized again as ECU was ranked 9th in the nation as Best for Vets.
- The ECU Nursing program celebrated 50 years of training Kentucky nurses.
- ECU ranked first in placing bachelor's graduates in the Kentucky workforce.
- We remain the premier aviation flight program in the Commonwealth, including national recognition for our flight instructors.

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Thank you for the excellent work that you do in the classroom and in service to our university. Please enjoy winter break and return to campus refreshed and renewed for the spring semester. Happy Holidays!

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David T. McFaddin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

David T. McFaddin, Ed.D.
President
Eastern Kentucky University

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TO: Faculty Senate

FROM: Jennifer Wies

DATE: November 16, 2021

SUBJECT: Council on Academic Affairs Agenda for Faculty Senate

The following Academic Affairs items have been fully approved by the Council on Academic Affairs and are presented for approval by the Faculty Senate on Monday, December 6, 2021. These items are scheduled for the Board of Regents' consideration on December 9, 2021, pending approvals.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

The following curriculum proposals are presented to the Faculty Senate for approval.

College of Business**New Programs**

1. Certificate in Corporate Communications
2. Certificate in Marketing Research & Analytics
3. Certificate in Sales

Faculty Regent Report to Faculty Senate

December 6, 2021

Dear Senators,

For updates of greatest relevance, the next meeting of the Board of Regents remains scheduled for this Thursday, December 9. The meeting location is scheduled for Powell 219 starting at 9:00 a.m. The Board's last meeting occurred on September 23 and was described in a prior Faculty Senate meeting report. The agenda for this Thursday contains many notable items. The draft agenda along with prior Board agendas can be viewed at the following link: <https://regents.eku.edu/agendas-0>

Included on the agenda are as follows:

Action Items for Board Approval Consideration:

- (1) **Performance Distribution Payment & Healthy You Incentive Payment:** As described in the President's November 29th email, the administration is recommending to the Board a \$1,000 per full-time employee Performance Distribution to be issued on the final December payroll, which is a \$2.1M expenditure. Furthermore, also recommended is \$500 through the Healthy You program per all-benefit-eligible part- or-full-time employees who are fully vaccinated. Employees vaccinated prior to November 30 will receive the payment with required holdings in January and persons wishing to take advantage of this opportunity are encouraged to upload their vaccination status prior to February 28. The total expenditure is estimated to be \$1.3M.
- (2) **Approval of Regularly Occurring Items:** Up for approval consideration will be the most recent audit report, Model Lab School tuition and fees, Board minutes, conferral of degrees, personnel actions, and sabbatical program participant approvals.
- (3) **Strategic Plan Approval:** The emerging strategic plan that will replace the existing plan, *Make No Little Plans*, is at a point in the drafting and revision process whereby the executive summary will be presented, and whereby the President is seeking Board approval to have the executive summary of the new plan approved which focuses on experiencing excellence.
- (4) **Approval of Athletics Sports Sponsorship:** As the university has joined the ASUN Conference, the administration has been reviewing which sports we currently sponsor and have existing financial and facility capacity to sponsor. Research into the ASUN demonstrates that the ASUN sponsors all the same sports as the prior conference (OVC), and also sponsors several sports not currently sponsored. ECU had sponsored tennis until very recently and still maintains tennis facilities. The written recommendation is not on the Board agenda at this time, but it is anticipated that a recommendation will be presented.
- (5) **Discussion/Acceptance of President's Performance Evaluation:** The contributing evaluation reports were received by the Board Chair from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee and Staff Council. Summary reports were also generated in my role using a similar approach for

External Stakeholders and University Boards (Regents, Foundation, and Alumni) as well as the students. The Board Chair has been able to review and has the ability to consult with or share those reports with the President. Furthermore, an Executive Summary based upon the aggregate of all reports will be provided to the full board for discussion and/or action.

Information Items on Board Agenda:

- Prior to presentation of the action items, the beginning of the meeting will include a rich set of presentations/university reports. Included in this meeting will be reports on construction updates (including the bypass pedway), a report on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) and Diversity Recruitment/Retention, an economic impact presentation on the value of Eastern Kentucky University to the Commonwealth and our local Richmond community, along with the usual updates on development (funds raised), university finances in relation to the prior approved budget, and an academic affairs update. These are likely some of the more impactful reports that have come before the Board in recent years for informing strategies and effectively educating the citizenry on the benefits EKU and higher education to their lives whether or not they attended or attend EKU.

CPE Update: Not part of the Board of Regents meeting, but worth noting, the CPE recently approved the statewide strategic agenda for Kentucky's postsecondary education, *Higher Education Matters 2022-2030*. To see the draft document as presented at the November CPE meeting, feel free to view [this link](#). The statewide goal is to have 60% of adult Kentuckians with a high-quality postsecondary credential by year 2030. To achieve this goal, the statewide priorities as led by CPE will be affordability, transitions, success, talent, and value.

To close, please accept my thanks to you for all of your support. Over the last year and several years, we've had substantial attrition of some of our dear colleagues – campus-wide, which has impacted my home academic department greatly. For several months, I had personally indicated to many of our faculty and even some staff colleagues that time-related difficulties would present challenges for me in further serving in this role for another term. However, these difficulties are the case for many or all of our colleagues, and I have received strong encouragement from colleagues to continue to serve in this role. For these reasons, including encouragement from some faculty leaders whom I respect immensely, I'll seek to stay on in this role during this next term should that be the collective will of our colleagues.

Please know that if you have any questions or suggestions, you may reach me by email (jason.marion@eku.edu) or phone (513-317-9508) and you may reach out over the break as well. It is my sincerest wish and hope that you have a well-deserved restful Holiday season.

Respectfully submitted,



Jason W. Marion

CRITERIA & PROCEDURES FOR FACULTY REGENT ELECTION

Term of Office

The Faculty Regent shall serve a three-year term which begins on April 1 of the academic year in which the election is held and ends on March 31. The Faculty Regent shall serve for a term of three years and until a successor is elected and qualified. The Faculty Regent shall be eligible for reelection but shall not be eligible to continue to serve as a member of the Board if no longer a member of the teaching staff of the University. Elections to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired term and shall be held in the same manner as the original election.

Criteria:

Eligibility to Vote

All faculty members of the rank of instructor or above, or librarians holding comparable ranks, or chairs/unit heads, deans, and academic vice presidents that hold rank, are eligible to vote for the Faculty Regent. Lecturers, clinical faculty and Model Faculty who hold the rank of instructor are eligible to vote.

Eligibility to Serve as Faculty Regent

In order to serve as the faculty member on the Board of Regents the faculty member must:

1. Hold the rank of Assistant Professor or higher;
2. Be a member of the teaching or research faculty whose faculty-load assignment includes 50 percent or more teaching and/or research.
3. not have a relative¹ who is currently employed at Eastern Kentucky University (anti-nepotism statute, KRS 164.360 (2))²

¹ "relative," as defined by KRS 164.001, includes "a person's father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, son, daughter, aunt, uncle, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law."

² This statute is under review by the Office of the Attorney General and a decision is expected before the 2013 election. Candidates who may be affected by this criterion are therefore currently eligible to run with the understanding that in the event the review changes the interpretation of the statute the candidate could be allowed to serve if elected.

Procedures:

Nomination of Faculty Regent

1. A faculty member is nominated by the submission of a petition for nomination to the Faculty Senate Committee on Elections. The petition must be signed by at least twenty (20) members of the faculty who are eligible to vote and who has signed no other petition for nomination in the current election.
2. The Committee on Elections shall certify the validity of the nominating petitions prior to making up the ballot for the election.

CRITERIA & PROCEDURES FOR FACULTY REGENT ELECTION

3. Each eligible voter may vote for one of the persons nominated.
4. If no person receives a majority of the votes cast on the first ballot, the Committee on Elections shall prepare a second ballot, which will contain the names of the two persons receiving the highest number of votes on the first election ballot, and conduct a second election.
5. The Committee on Elections shall certify the results of the election to the Chair of the Senate.
6. The Chair of the Senate shall certify the results of the election to the Secretary of the Board of Regents.

FACULTY REGENT NOMINATION PETITION

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The petition must be signed by at least twenty (20) members of the faculty who are eligible to vote and who has signed no other petition for nomination in the current election

For the term April 1, 2022

through March 31, 2025

We, the undersigned, being eligible to sign a petition of nomination for candidates for the position of Faculty Regent, support the nomination of the below named faculty member and certify that we have signed no other nomination for a candidate for the cited term of office.

Nominee's Name	Academic Rank	Department

Petitioners

Signature	Printed Name	Rank	Unit
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****Forms due by Friday, January 28th, 2022; 4:30 pm to the Faculty Senate Elections and Nominations Committee**

FACULTY REGENT NOMINATION PETITION

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A brief (100 word) biographical sketch including educational background and professional experience should accompany this petition.

Faculty Regent Election Timeline

Tuesday, January 4: A letter will be sent out from the Elections & University Nominations Committee along with a copy of the criteria and procedures and a sample petition to all eligible faculty.

Friday, January 28 at 4:30 pm: Deadline to submit nomination petitions for candidates for Faculty Regent

February 16 & 17: Faculty Regent Candidates' Forum (2 Zoom sessions)

Monday, February 21: Voting for Faculty Regent opens

Friday, March 4 at 4:30 pm: Faculty Regent Voting Ends

Monday, March 14: Second ballot for run-off election, if needed, should be emailed to eligible faculty

Friday, March 25 at 4:30 pm: Faculty Regent Voting (Run-off election) Ends Today