A3.0 Faculty Senate Rules Committee

(1) Membership. Seven members as follows: six members of the Senate elected annually by the Senate, at least one member shall be from each faculty division; and the Chancellor, ex-officio. The chairperson is elected from among the members of the committee by majority vote of the Senate and becomes President pro tem of the Senate, who also serves as a member of the University Committee. Any given school or college may not be represented in consecutive years in the chair of the Rules Committee; further, membership composition restrictions of the University Committee with respect to school/college and departmental affiliation of its members shall also be followed when electing the chairperson.

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(2) Functions

a) Sets the schedule and prepared calendars for Senate and University Faculty meetings.

b) Recommends procedures to ensure that individual Senators and Faculty members-at-large may initiate items for deliberation by the Senate and/or Faculty in conjunction with or independent of proposals from faculty standing committees or special committees.

c) Resolves questions of committee jurisdiction.

d) Coordinates committee relationships with the Senate.

e) Designates Senators to serve in a liaison capacity with those faculty standing committees which do not have a Senator as a member.

(3) Procedures. Any member of the University Faculty as defined in 1.01(1) may propose a matter for consideration by the UWM Faculty Senate by submitting it in proper form (1.04(4)(b) to the Faculty Senate Rules Committee through the Secretary of the University, according to the following procedures:

a) Proposals are normally referred by the Rules Committee for review and recommendation to the appropriate faculty standing committee, which will make its recommendation within 4 weeks.

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b) If a faculty member believes that consideration of a proposal is being unreasonably delayed by any faculty standing committee, they may appeal to the Faculty Senate Rules Committee for intervention and decision.

c) Emergency proposals, which should be considered by the Senate without delay, may be placed on the calendar of a Senate meeting by the Rules Committee without the customary referral to a faculty standing committee.

d) Proposals submitted by non-Senate members of the Faculty and which appear on calendars of Senate meetings are placed before the body on motion of the appropriate standing committee or the Faculty Senate Rules Committee, if that Committee has assumed original jurisdiction as in (c) above.

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