

UNIVERSITY SENATE
UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Introduced by: University Life Council

Date: October 23, 2017

**AMENDMENT RE: SECTIONS X.9.1.3, 9.1.7, 9.1.8, 9.2 & 9.6 OF
THE UNIVERSITY LIFE COUNCIL**

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED:

- That the proposed amendments of the Charter of the University Life Council below be adopted.
- That this amendments go into effect immediately.

Current Sections of the University Life Council Charter covered under proposed amendment:

X.9. UNIVERSITY LIFE COUNCIL

X.9.1. Composition

X.9.1.1. The Vice President for Student Success or designee, *ex officio*

X.9.1.2. The Vice President for Finance and Administration or designee, *ex officio* [TITLE CHANGED BY AMENDMENT 04/27/15]

X.9.1.3. The Coordinator of EAP, or designee, *ex officio* [TITLE CHANGED BY AMENDMENT 04/27/15]

X.9.1.4. At least 6 and not more than 8 Teaching Faculty, (at least 4 must be Senators)

X.9.1.5. At least 2 and not more than 4 Professional Faculty (one must be a Senator)

X.9.1.6. One Support Staff Member

X.9.1.7. One graduate student

X.9.1.8. At least one but not more than three undergraduate students (one must be a Senator)

X.9.1.9. No more than 2 voting members selected from Faculty or Staff who are not students or Voting Faculty.

X.9.1.10 Staff support for the Council shall be designated by the Vice President for Student Success. [SECTION ADDED BY AMENDMENT 5/2/05]

X.9.2. The Council shall be responsible for the quality of university life outside of the formal instruction program, which is recognized to have significant impact on the overall educational experience. The Council shall recommend policies to the Senate governing university community conditions that affect the overall health, safety and well being of students, faculty and staff. This includes but is not limited to counseling, medical clinical services, financial aid, international student affairs, placement, residence living, student behavior and conduct, student government, athletics and recreation, and services and programs for part-time and emeriti faculty.

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X.9.6. The Committee on Athletics

X.9.6.1. Composition

X.9.6.1.1. The Director of Athletics, or designee, *ex officio*

X.9.6.1.2. At least two of the Teaching Faculty members of the IAAB

X.9.6.1.3. At least 4 but not more than 6 Faculty members, including at least 3 members of the Council and at least two Teaching Faculty

X.9.6.1.4. At least 1 but not more than 2 students

X.9.6.1.5. No more than 2 voting members selected from Faculty or Staff who are not students or Voting Faculty.

Proposed Revision University Life Council Charter with Rationale (*Italicized*)

X.9. UNIVERSITY LIFE COUNCIL

X.9.1. Composition

X.9.1.1. The Vice President for Student Success or designee, *ex officio*

X.9.1.2. The Vice President for Finance and Administration or designee, *ex officio* [TITLE CHANGED BY AMENDMENT 04/27/15]

X.9.1.3. **The Director of Athletics or designee, *ex officio* [added position]**

X.9.1.4. The Coordinator of EAP, or designee, *ex officio* [TITLE CHANGED BY AMENDMENT 04/27/15]

X.9.1.5. At least 6 and not more than 8 Teaching Faculty, (at least 4 must be Senators)

X.9.1.6. At least 2 and not more than 4 Professional Faculty (one must be a Senator)

X.9.1.7. At least one, but not more than two Classified Staff Members [added position]

Rationale: this is an added position w/ potential compositional increase of 1, the council believes classified staff members should be represented in the University Life Council since they are vital members of our community and contribute to the quality of life at our institution.

~~X.9.1.6. One Support Staff Member~~

X.9.1.7. One graduate student

X.9.1.8. At least one, but no more than three graduate students (one must be a Senator)

Rationale: *this change, with the potential compositional increase by 2 students, was requested by graduate students. The Council believes graduate representation should be consistent with the undergraduate representation on the council. University life is one of the areas of major student interest at each level.*

X.9.1.9. At least one but not more than three undergraduate students (one must be a Senator)

X.9.1.10. No more than 2 voting members selected from Faculty or Staff who are not students or Voting Faculty.

X.9.1.11 Staff support for the Council shall be designated by the Vice President for Student Success. [SECTION ADDED BY AMENDMENT 5/2/05]

X.9.2. The Council shall be responsible for the quality of university life outside of the formal instruction program, which is recognized to have significant impact on the overall educational experience. The Council shall recommend policies to the Senate governing university community conditions that affect the overall health, safety and well being of students, faculty and staff. This includes but is not limited to counseling, medical clinical services, financial aid, international student affairs, placement, residence living, student behavior and conduct, student government, athletics and recreation, and services and programs for part-time and emeriti faculty.

that foster an inclusive experience for teaching faculty, professional faculty, classified staff and students that promotes an environment conducive to academic success, social engagement, personal growth, and well-being.

Rationale: *the new wording reflects wider university language, “includes but not limited to” language removed due to the belief that mentioning specific units or areas highlighted those units as being more important than others.*

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~~X.9.6.1.1. The Director of Athletics, or designee, *ex officio*~~

~~X.9.6.1.2. At least two of the Teaching Faculty members of the IAAB~~

~~X.9.6.1.3. At least 4 but not more than 6 Faculty members, including at least 3 members of the Council and at least two Teaching Faculty~~

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~~X.9.6.1.5. No more than 2 voting members selected from Faculty or Staff who are not students or Voting Faculty.~~

Rationale: **The Committee on Athletics is deleted to avoid redundancy – The Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Board (IAAB) is the formally constituted campus oversight body for the University's athletics program**

authorized and established under the guidelines of the SUNY Board of Trustees. Appointed by the President, the membership of the IAAB consists of four voting members of the University faculty, four student members (two of whom are student-athletes), one alumni member, and two administrative staff. The IAAB is the primary mechanism for affording campus constituencies outside of the Athletics Department input into the formulation of policies and the opportunity for policy review. According to its Bylaws, the IAAB's responsibilities include consideration and initiation of all questions of policy including but not restricted to budget, facilities, promotional activities, gender and racial equity, academic progress, and personal conduct of student-athletes and athletic personnel.