

UNIVERSITY SENATE

UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Circulated by the Executive Committee

To be introduced May 2, 2005

COUNCIL SUPPORT STAFF

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED:

1. That the Senate Charter be amended to add

SVI.1.7. Staff support for the Senate shall be designated by the President.

2. That the Senate Charter be amended to add to the section on the executive committee (additional text is underlined)

SVII.3. To facilitate the conduct of Senate meetings, the Executive Committee may appoint a parliamentarian. The staff support member for the committee shall be the support staff person assigned to the Senate.

3. That the Senate Charter be amended to add to the section on the University Planning and Policy Council:

SX.2.1.10. Staff support for the Council shall be designated by the Vice President of Finance.

4. That the Senate Charter be amended to add to the section on the Council on Promotion and Continuing Appointment:

SX.7.1.6 Staff support for the Council shall be designated by the Provost.

5. That the Senate Charter be amended to add to the section on the Council on Libraries, Information Systems and Computing:

SX.8.1.9 Staff support for the Council shall be designated by the Chief Information Officer.

6. That the Senate Charter be amended to add to the section on the University Life Council:

SX.9.1.10 Staff support for the Council shall be designated by the Vice President of Student Affairs.

7. That this shall become effective September 1 2005.
8. That this policy shall be forwarded to the President for approval.

Rationale:

1. Some of the councils, for example GAC, UAC, and CAA, have staff support designated in the Senate Charter. Staff support for the Senate itself has been provided by the office of the president. Making the staff support explicit provides for continuity and makes it easier for those unfamiliar with the senate to locate the appropriate personnel, particularly at times when the council membership is changing.
2. The charter does not specify staff support for the executive committee but it is sensible for the executive committee and the senate to continue to have the same staff person.
3. The charter specifies that the governance council will be supported by the senate support person. The charter does not specify staff support for UPC, which currently also uses the same staff member. This creates an excessive burden for producing minutes and precludes having the two councils meet at the same time.
4. This makes the support for CPCA explicit but unchanged.
- 5-6. These add needed support for LISC and ULC.