

**Faculty Governance Committee of the Faculty Senate
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The 2013/14 Faculty Governance Committee (FGC) included following members: Linda Moore, , Joddy Murray, Ranga Ramasesh, Stephen Mann, Jeffery Geider, Krista Scott, Barbara Wood, Stephen Weis, Katherine Polzer, Suzy Lockwood (Chair) and Jan Quesada (FSEC liaison). The FGC responded to the following standing charges in addition to committee specific charges established at the start of the academic year.

The standing charges & related activities included:

- Monitor the structure and function of the Faculty Senate (FS) and Senate committees, including updates of FS documents and policies as needed.
 - The FGC finalized work that had begun during the 2012/2013 AY related to this charge; see summary statements at end of this report.
- Recommend changes that will improve the effectiveness of the FS and Senate committees in University governance.
 - At the October Faculty Senate Meeting, recommended new committee structures and standing charges were presented and approved.
 - An additional position was added to the FSEC at the recommendation of the FGC and FSEC, Information Officer. Rationale was presented at February FS meeting; position was approved and changes to Bylaws & Constitution were made.
 - An additional outcome of the FGC work resulted in development of detailed monthly listing of FS activities as outlined/required in the Bylaws & Constitution and FS Handbook (see attached).
- Revise and edit the Faculty Senate and Faculty-Staff Handbooks to ensure congruent with new programs, policies, and initiatives.
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At the February Faculty Senate Meeting, revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws were presented and approved. Subsequently these were integrated by the FGC into the Faculty Senate Handbook.

The FSEC did not issue Specific Charges for the FS Sub-Committees during the 2013/14 Academic year.

Recommended FGC focus areas in 2014-2015 include but should not be limited to:

- Senate discussion and implementation of Core Assessment Committee Report Recommendations
- Examination and clarification of the awarding of Honorary degrees
- Increased transparency and articulation of outcomes related to Faculty Senate work.
- Continue to explore opportunities for increasing faculty participation in FS activities.

Respectively submitted,
Suzy Lockwood
Chair, FGC 2013-2014