

CURRENT BYLAWS	PROPOSED BYLAWS (NOTE UNDERLINING FOR CHANGES TO OLD LANGUAGE)
<p><i>Section 2. Membership and Elections</i></p> <p>A. <u>Members representing the several academic units comprising TCU.</u> These academic units are: AddRan College of Humanities and Social Sciences, M.J. Neeley School of Business, College of Communication, School of Education, College of Fine Arts, College of Health and Human Sciences, College of Science and Engineering.</p> <p><u>Each academic unit is allocated one member in the Faculty Senate for every eleven full-time members in that unit, with an additional seat allocated when there are six or more full-time faculty beyond multiples of eleven.</u> (MOTION #1 and 2)</p> <p><u>No academic unit, or division of AddRan College of Humanities and Social Sciences, shall be allocated fewer than three members, with at least one member elected at each regular interval.</u> (MOTION #3)</p>	<p><i>Section 2. Membership and Elections</i></p> <p>A. <u>The Faculty Senate shall consist of a sufficient number of Senators to conduct business of the Senate. The normal size is 45 members. A temporary change in the number of members can be recommended by the Senate Executive Committee and approved by a vote of the Faculty Senate.</u> (MOTION #1)</p> <p>1. <u>Members are elected from the academic units comprising TCU.</u> (MOTION #1) (DELETE UNDERLINED LANGUAGE TO LEFT) These academic units are: AddRan College of Humanities and Social Sciences, M.J. Neeley School of Business, College of Communication, School of Education, College of Fine Arts, College of Health and Human Sciences, College of Science and Engineering. (DELETE UNDERLINED LANGUAGE TO LEFT) (MOTION #3)</p> <p>2. <u>The number of Senators from a unit should be approximately proportional to the number of faculty in the unit. The Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate determines the appropriate procedures to maintain such representation</u> (DELETE UNDERLINED LANGUAGE TO LEFT) (MOTION #2)</p> <p>3. <u>If an academic unit does not have enough faculty members willing to serve on the Faculty Senate, the Faculty Election Committee will fill any open position with willing members from other units with the objective of maintaining approximately proportional representation</u> (MOTION #4)</p>
<p>B. Term of Office and Elections.</p> <p>1. The term of office of elected senators shall be three years, <u>with the exceptions provided in B.3 below.</u> (MOTION #3)</p> <p>2. The official list of the faculty shall be obtained by the Faculty Election Committee each February 1 from the Vice Chancellor responsible for academic programs. The Faculty Election</p>	<p>B. Term of Office and Elections</p> <p>1. DELETE UNDERLINED LANGUAGE TO LEFT</p> <p>2. NO CHANGE</p>

<p>Committee has the final decision on questions regarding eligibility of faculty members to vote and to be nominated to the Faculty Senate.</p> <p>3. The Faculty Election Committee shall reapportion the number of members allocated to each school and college annually, based upon the number of full-time faculty in each school and college as of February 1. <u>In order to preserve the principle that approximately one-third of the members of a school or college are newly elected each year, the Faculty Election Committee may either postpone deleting a seat for one year, or may declare a new seat to be for less than three years.</u> (MOTION #3)</p> <p>4. During February the Faculty Election Committee shall prepare a list of the faculty members who are eligible for election to the Senate. A letter shall be sent to each eligible faculty member, with a request to respond, in writing, whether he or she would be willing to serve in the Senate.</p>	<p>3. DELETE UNDERLINED LANGUAGE TO LEFT</p> <p>4. NO CHANGE</p>
<p>5. During the first half of March faculty members eligible to vote in each College or School shall receive a primary ballot containing the names of those faculty members in that College or School who are eligible for election to the Senate and who have expressed their willingness to serve. From this list each faculty member will vote for as many individuals as his or her School or College has Senators to be elected that year.</p>	<p>5. NO CHANGE</p>
<p>6. During the second half of March, a final ballot shall be prepared and distributed for faculty members to vote for as many of the candidates as there are Senate positions to be filled. The list of candidates shall contain the names of those receiving the largest number of votes on the primary ballot. The number of candidates of the final ballot shall be equal to twice the number of Senate posts to be filled that year for that school or college. (In the case of ties, the addition of one or more nominees may be required.) A tie vote on this final ballot shall be broken by lot by the Faculty Election Committee.</p>	<p>6. NO CHANGE</p>
<p>7. <u>During the first half of April members at large shall be elected from the eligible and willing-to-serve list, who have not already been elected to the Senate. The names of the top six candidates, plus ties, shall appear on the final at-large ballot. The final election shall be held during the second half of April. Each member of the faculty qualified to vote shall be permitted to vote for three of the candidates. A tie vote in the final election shall be broken by lot by the Faculty Election Committee.</u></p>	<p>7. DELETE (MOTION #5)</p>

8. The election shall be by secret ballot	NEW 7 (NO CHANGE)
9. If a senator misses two meetings during an academic year, the Senate Secretary notifies the incumbent and inquires as to her/his intentions. The Senator may elect to vacate his/her seat. If a third absence occurs, the incumbent will be deemed to have vacated his/her seat. A written appeal for reinstatement can be made to the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate, within three (3) weeks of the third absence, outlining the extenuating circumstances. Prior to the next Faculty Senate meeting, the Executive Committee will inform the Senator as to its decision regarding reinstatement.	NEW 8 (NO CHANGE)
10. Vacancies occurring between elections shall be filled by the Faculty Election Committee. The position shall be filled by the candidate receiving the next highest vote in the preceding election for that position	NEW 9 (NO CHANGE)

BYLAWS OF THE FACULTY ASSEMBLY AND FACULTY SENATE
Suggested Changes Article II, section 5-7

**** NOTE: Faculty Senate approved section 5-6 at April 7, 2005 Meeting**

CURRENT BYLAWS	PROPOSED BYLAWS
<p><i>Section 5. Committees: Executive committee</i> A. The Executive Committee shall serve as the Election Committee of the Faculty Senate.</p>	<p>Section 5. Committees: Executive Committee A. The Executive Committee shall serve as the Election Committee of the Faculty Senate.</p>
	<p>B. <u>The Executive Committee shall appoint the membership of Senate Standing Committees, giving due consideration to Senators' preferences and the needs of the Senate. (NEW)</u></p>
<p>B. The Executive Committee shall serve as the Screening Committee in forwarding names of nominees for honorary degrees to the Chancellor and Board of Trustees.</p>	<p>C. The Executive Committee shall serve as a screening committee in forwarding names of nominees for honorary degrees to <u>the full Senate prior to their going</u> to the Chancellor and the Board of Trustees (<u>see Constitution, Art. II, sec. 1C</u>).</p>
<p>C. The Executive Committee, in conference with the Vice Chancellor responsible for academic programs, shall plan the agenda of the regular Faculty Assembly meetings.</p>	<p>D. The Executive Committee, <u>in consultation with the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs</u>, shall plan the agenda of the regular Faculty Assembly meetings.</p>
<p>D. Between Spring Commencement and Fall Semester registration, the Executive Committee shall act in behalf of the Senate on matters that in their judgment cannot be deferred. The Executive Committee may invite appropriate Senate Committee Chairs, or designated representatives, to participate in any such actions.</p>	<p>E. <u>Between Spring Commencement and Fall Semester registration, the Executive Committee may act on behalf of the Senate on matters which, in their judgment, cannot be deferred.</u></p>
<p>E. An annual letter from the Chair of the Senate shall be written to Department Chairs, articulating the professional values of Senate membership and asking for departmental support for such memberships, including support for Senators from that particular academic unit.</p>	<p>F. <u>The Executive Committee and the Senate Chair shall annually communicate in writing, to the Department Chairs and Deans of all Senators, their gratitude for the time and commitment of each Senator and recognition of the support provided by those administrative levels, without which the Senate could not conduct its work.</u></p>
<p>F. The Senate's work shall be publicized through continued publication of Senate activity in the Faculty Bulletin and through an end-of-the-year summary of Senate activities and University budget information sent directly to faculty.</p>	<p>G. <u>The Executive Committee and the Senate Chair shall communicate to the Faculty an end-of-year summary of Senate activity.</u></p>
<p><i>Section 6. Standing Committees.</i> In addition to the Committee on University Committees and the Budget and Finance Committee required by the Constitution, the Faculty Senate shall have the following Standing Committees:</p>	<p><i>Section 6: Standing Committees.</i> <u>The Faculty Senate shall have these standing committees:</u></p>
<p>A. Academic Excellence - maintain an interest in and awareness of academic policies of the University</p>	<p>A. <u>The Academic Excellence Committee shall monitor and review the academic policies and practices of the University.</u></p>

<p>B. Committee on Committees – see description in the Constitution of the Faculty Assembly, section 5.</p>	<p><u>B. The Co mmittee on Committees shall nominate to the proper appointing parties faculty members to serve on University Committees as well as on ad hoc committees, task forces, etc., established by the Senate, Student House, or Administration (EXPANDED).</u></p>
<p>C. Faculty Governance — monitor and review the structure of Senate committees and recommend changes that would improve the effectiveness of the Senate and its committees in university governance.</p>	<p><u>C. The Faculty Governance Committee shall monitor and review the structure of the Senate and of Senate committees and recommend changes to improve their effectiveness.</u></p>
<p>D. Student Relations — represent the Senate in matters pertaining to student concerns.</p>	<p><u>D. The Student Relations Committee shall represent the Senate in matters relating to student concerns.</u></p>
<p>E. Tenure, Promotion and Grievance — monitor the effectiveness of University policies on promotion and tenure described in the Handbook for Faculty and University Staff.</p>	<p><u>E. The Tenure, Promotion and Grievance Committee shall monitor the effectiveness of University policies on tenure, promotion, and grievance found in the Handbook for Faculty and Staff.</u></p>
	<p><u>Section 7: Other Senate Responsibilities (NEW SECTION)</u></p>
	<p><u>Faculty Senate representation to other bodies shall include the following:</u></p>
	<p><u>A. The University Budget Advisory Committee (UBAC) shall have three Senate representatives. The Senate Chair-elect who will serve a one-year term shall automatically fill one position. The other two positions shall be elected, by written ballot, at the May Senate meeting, to serve three-year terms.</u></p>
	<p><u>B. The Heritage, Mission, Vision, and Values Committee (HMVV) serving the TCU Core Curriculum will have Senate representation in accordance with the HMVV Charter. The two elected representatives shall be elected, by written ballot, at the May Senate meeting. The Committee on Committees shall appoint the remaining faculty.</u></p>
	<p><u>C. When Senate representation is needed, in groups not under the responsibility of the Committee on Committees, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee may appoint such representatives, subject to Senate approval.</u></p>