

FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION FSR 2004/2005-16R

I. Resolution Name

Amendment of Faculty Senate Constitution to Article I Faculty Association and Faculty Senate Article II. Plan of Representation

II. Stated Resolution

The Faculty Senate Constitution should be amended as follows. (Underlined text is new text, crossed out text is to be deleted.)

ARTICLE I. FACULTY ASSOCIATION AND FACULTY SENATE

The Faculty Association of the University of Central Oklahoma is composed of all fulltime teaching faculty members (including department chairs and school directors~~and division chairmen~~), all fulltime professional administrators, all full time academic advisors, and all full-time professional librarians (as officially designated). The Faculty Senate is the body elected to represent the Faculty Association.

ARTICLE II. PLAN OF REPRESENTATION

Section 1. Each ~~election unit college~~ college (~~the professional library staff, the full-time Advisors, and each college~~ except the Graduate College) shall be represented in the Faculty Senate according to the formula N/B , in which N is the number of Faculty Association members in the ~~unit college~~ college and B is the total number of the Faculty Association members in all the colleges divided by ~~thirty five (35) — the desired Senate size~~ thirty (30). However, no college shall have fewer than four (4) Senators. The quotient N/B shall be rounded to the next larger whole number if the remainder is one half ($1/2$) or more. A committee of the Faculty Senate, with the approval of the Senate, shall be responsible for applying the formula and informing each unit of the number of Senators allotted to it.

Section 2. The full-time professional administrators shall name from among them three (3) senators. The professional library staff shall name from among them one (1) member. The full time academic advisors shall name from among them one (1) member.

III. Justification

Full time advisors are specifically included in the Faculty Senate in Article II, but they are not mentioned in Article I, which defines the Faculty Association. The proposed amendment to Article I alleviates this oversight.

In article II, the current representation formula calls for the number of faculty members in a college to be divided by the total number of Faculty Association members. However, the number of professional administrator representatives is set at three. This could potentially result in decreasing numbers of teaching faculty representatives due to increasing numbers of professional administrators. By applying the current formula teaching faculty will be represented by 29 senators next year. The proposed formula

maintains a constant number of Senate representatives for the professional administrators (3), professional librarians (1), and full time advisors (1). These are the same number of representatives that each of these units currently has serving in the Senate. By dividing the other thirty senate seats among the five colleges, we ensure that the faculty is represented by at least thirty senators.

IV. Budget Implications

There are no budget implications associated with this resolution.

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