Amendments to be Proposed on USGC Response to Charge S-0902, Senate Speakers

2. The Secretary of the University Senate should announce pending charges on the Senate web site and include the chairs’ e-mail address to allow for input by interested parties. Any Relevant input from members of the public submitted to or presented at Committee meetings should also be made available to all senators summarized to the Senate prior to Senate deliberation on the issue.

4: As soon as possible after each meeting of the Executive Committee, the Secretary of the University Senate should post online details of the items docketed for subsequent Senate meetings. Interested parties and groups may request from the Executive Committee the opportunity to address Senate on important issues, by writing to (or emailing) the Secretary of the University Senate no later than one week after the issue is docketed for discussion by the Senate. Chairs or co-chairs of the specific committee considering the pertinent issue may recommend to the Executive Committee that specific interested parties whom they have consulted be included among those invited to address the Senate. Invited guests should be allowed to speak for a maximum of two minutes each during the full Senate meeting.

Item 5: The same procedures should be followed when the Senate meets as a Committee of the Whole.

Alternative language
5: Only University senators and guests invited by the Executive Committee should be permitted to address the Senate when meeting as a Committee of the Whole.

Item 6: Language proposed by S&G
Administrative reports and campus reports should ordinarily follow the disposition of regular Senate business. The Senate appreciates the willingness of the central administration to inform the community of its activities and to answer questions. With respect for this process and the individuals, we recommend that these reports be scheduled as the last agenda item, so as to allow for more efficiency and the largest number of participating senators during the conduct of regular business at the beginning of each meeting. Question and answer sessions following the administrative reports and campus reports should be open to all present, and not limited to Senators, in accordance with Senate rules and if time permits.

Move highlighted text to become the final sentences of the section “Considerations.”

Item 7: Language proposed by S&G
The President’s Annual Address to the Rutgers Community should continue to be hosted by the Senate, but should not displace normal Senate business at the beginning of the academic year. It should therefore be scheduled as a separate event.

Alternative language
7. The President’s Annual Address to the Rutgers Community is an item of Senate business, but should not necessarily displace all other Senate business at the beginning of the academic year. It should therefore be scheduled as a separate event, if deemed appropriate in order to conduct other Senate business.