ARTICLE VIII: Caucuses of the Senate

- A. Each of tThe constituencies of the Senate may choose to meet in recognized caucuses before each Senate meeting. (i.e., a Faculty Caucus of all faculty senators, a Student Caucus of all student senators, Staff Caucus of all staff senators, and an Alumni Caucus of all alumni senators). Each caucus shall determine its own organization and agenda, and shall be able to shall bring proposals and issues to the Senate through its Executive Committee liaison.
- B. The Faculty Caucus shall be <u>initially</u> convened by the vice chair of the Senate or other faculty member designated by the Executive Committee from among the faculty senators<u>each</u> <u>academic year</u>. <u>Subsequently</u>, the <u>Faculty Caucus shall elect a chair from among its members</u>.
- C. The student members of the Executive Committee, or other students designated by the Executive Committee, shall <u>ordinarily initially</u> convene the Student Caucus <u>each academic year</u>. Subsequently, the Student Caucus shall elect a chair from among its members.
- D. The alumni member of the Executive Committee, or another alumni senator designated by the Executive Committee, shall <u>ordinarily initially</u> convene the Alumni Caucus <u>each academic year</u>. (By action of the Senate on April 23, 1999.) <u>Subsequently, the Alumni Caucus shall elect a chair from among its members</u>.
- E. The staff member of the Executive Committee, or another staff senator designated by the Executive Committee, shall normally initially convene the Staff Caucus each academic year.
 Subsequently, the Staff Caucus shall elect a chair from among its members.

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ARTICLE IX: Appeals Panel

- A. In September, Senator volunteers are will be solicited for the Appeals Panel when an appeal is filed, and t The panel is appointed by the Executive Committee.
- B. Standing Charge: The Appeals Panel shall hear appeals filed in accordance with University Policy 50.2.2C. concerning administrative decisions_and shall render decisions with respect to these appeals according to procedures adopted by the Senate.
- C. The Appeals Panel will comprise an "on-call" panel of faculty senators, student senators, elected staff senators, and alumni senators representative of the disciplines and diverse opinions of the Rutgers Community, and shall be appointed at the beginning of each year by the Executive Committee. This The panel will meets only when an appeal is filed in accordance with University Policy 50.2.2C of the University Policy Library. Appeals Panel members will therefore be appointed to this panel in addition to their regular committee duties. In the event that an appeal is heard, members may request and be granted release from regular committee responsibilities for the duration of the appeal process.

C.D. This The Appeals panel will be convened and chaired by the vice chair of the Senate.

ARTICLE X: Senate-Elected Representatives to the Policy Approval Committee and the Policy Development Committee

A. Policy Approval Committee

 a. Any voting Senator is eligible to stand for the position of Policy Approval Committee (PAC) Representative. The senate should elect two Policy Approval Committee representatives during regular elections.

B. Policy Development Panel

a. The Senate should convene panel to provide representation on the Policy Development Committees (PDC) as they arise. This Policy Development Panel should be made up of senators who volunteer. The Policy Development Panel should send two representatives to each Policy Development Committee.

ARTICLE XI: Parliamentary Authority

A. The Senate shall have the power to adopt regulations governing its own procedures. Robert's Rules of Order shall be followed except in those cases where they are inconsistent with Sections 50.2.1–50.2.3 of these policies. Robert's Rules of Order are the official procedural rules except where otherwise provided by Senate action, in this Handbook, or Senate Bylaws. The Senate's parliamentary procedures are outlined in Appendix C of this Handbook. The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Senate in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the Senate may adopt.

ARTICLE XI: Amendment of Bylaws

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Senate by a two-thirds vote, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting.

AMENDMENT HISTORY

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