

## Rules Committee (RC)

Convened at 12:10 on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

Discussed Chair's Document Edits received from E-board.

Discussed the comments received.

Informed committee I sent a request for feedback from the Chair's council to Tricia Lin.

After extensive discussion of the impasse procedures the committee decided it was best to leave the current language as is (and thus preventing members if the involved department from serving on the committee).

On the topic of chairperson vacancy we decided that the majority of the committee was more comfortable with the following language for the vacancy portion/section:

*“If a vacancy occurs during a term of office, a newly elected Department Chairperson shall serve for the remainder of the academic year in which the vacancy occurs. The department shall elect one of its members for this temporary position by simple majority. If the department cannot elect one of its members due to a lack of a majority, the University President in consultation with the Provost and appropriate Dean shall appoint a member in an acting capacity to fill the vacancy.”*

The committee then went through section III of the chairpersons document and decided on recommendations for change to language. (Most of the changes were to remove He/She statements.)

We briefly discussed section IV and discussed the recommendation of an impasse committee for the implementation and interpretation section.

The committee decided it was in favor of forwarding out recommendations for changes to the deans for additional feedback before moving to final changes on the senate floor.

meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm 9/22...

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Jeffrey A. Webb