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A Resolution Forming a Task Force on the Faculty Senate Bylaws and Standing Rules

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Whereas the recent accomplishments in the area of university shared governance consist of Senate resolutions and unofficial agreements with the current administration; and

Whereas the Senate bylaws and standing rules should codify these achievements and current aspirations pertaining to shared governance; and

Whereas the Senate bylaws and standing rules should comport with the latest standards in shared governance in state institutions, especially teaching universities and universities located in Illinois;

Now, therefore be it Resolved that there shall be a Senate Task Force on the Bylaws and Standing Rules; and

Be it further resolved that the membership of the Senate Task Force on the Bylaws and Standing Rules shall consist of the president and one other elected officer of the Senate, the parliamentarian of the Senate, one other voting member of the Executive Committee, the chairs of the Standing Committees and the General Education Council (or their designees from among the senators serving on their respective committees), and one Senator from each of the colleges; and

Be it further resolved that the charge of the Senate Task Force on the Bylaws and Standing Rules shall be to analyze the existing Bylaws and Standing Rules, investigate governing documents of Senates of other universities, and discuss and recommend changes to the existing Senate Bylaws and Standing Rules; and

Be it further resolved that the Senate Task Force on the Bylaws and Standing Rules shall report its findings to the University Faculty Senate President in the form of proposed amendments to the Bylaws and Standing Rules no later than March 19, 2020, so that such amendments may be discussed by the Senate at its April 2020 meeting and adopted by the Senate at its May, 2020 meeting; and

Be it further resolved that the Task Force shall dissolve following the report of its findings.

Approved in Faculty Senate September 19, 2019.

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