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## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Julio Frenk

**University President** 

From: Linda L. Neider

Chair, Faculty Senate

**Date:** October 1, 2021

**Subject:** Faculty Senate Legislation #2021-14(A) – Amendment to the *Faculty Manual* Section

A3– Voting Rights of the University Faculty, A3.1(b) and A3.1(c)

Reference Legislation #2021-15(A) – Amendments to the *Faculty Manual* Section A10 –

Actions by the Faculty, A10.1 and A10.2

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The Faculty Senate, at its September 29, 2021, meeting, had no objections to amending the *Faculty Manual* Charter section A3.1(b) and A3.1(c) in the Section titled Voting Rights of the UNIVERSITY FACULTY. The rationale for this change is to allow school faculty to establish the voting faculty within the school through bylaw without the necessity of holding annual votes.

Changes shown in strikeout/underline format.

## [BEGIN TEXT]

## **A3** Voting Rights of the University Faculty

- A3.1 (a) The Regular Faculty are entitled to vote on all matters for which they are qualified by rank and tenure status including all voting rights extended to other members of the UNIVERSITY FACULTY.<sup>1</sup>
  - (b) The RESEARCH FACULTY are entitled to vote on all matters for which they are qualified with the exception of appointment, reappointment, promotion, the award of tenure, evaluation of the chair or the dean, and ratification of amendments to the Faculty Government Charter. A school may, by majority vote of its tenured REGULAR FACULTY, extend voting rights to RESEARCH FACULTY in any or all of the following matters:
    - (1) Reappointment of RESEARCH FACULTY of lower rank;<sup>2</sup>
    - (2) Promotion of RESEARCH FACULTY of lower rank;
    - (3) Evaluation of the department chair; and
    - (4) Evaluation of the dean.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> #2001-09(A)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> #96006(A)

Extension of voting rights to RESEARCH FACULTY apply only in that school. In the absence of a school bylaw specifying the voting faculty, the The tenured REGULAR FACULTY must vote annually on whether to renew any extension of voting rights to RESEARCH FACULTY except that a school may, through its bylaws or by annual vote<sup>3</sup>, delegate the extension of voting rights to departments in departmentalized schools.<sup>4</sup>

- (c) The EDUCATOR FACULTY are entitled to vote on all matters for which they are qualified with the exception of appointment, reappointment, promotion, the award of tenure, evaluation of the chair or the dean, and ratification of amendments to the Faculty Government Charter. A school may, by majority vote of its tenured REGULAR FACULTY, extend voting rights to EDUCATOR FACULTY with professorial titles in any or all of the following matters:
  - (1) Reappointment of EDUCATOR FACULTY of lower rank;<sup>5</sup>
  - (2) Promotion of EDUCATOR FACULTY of lower rank;
  - (3) Evaluation of the department chair; and
  - (4) Evaluation of the dean.

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[END TEXT]

This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.

LLN/rh

cc: Jeffrey Duerk, Executive Vice President and Provost Guillermo Prado, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs All Academic Deans

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Clarification: a vote of the tenured REGULAR FACULTY

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> #2018-39(A) – approved by the faculty and the Board of Trustees, effective as of 7/19/19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> #96007(A)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> <u>#2018-39(A)</u> – approved by the faculty and the Board of Trustees, effective as of 7/19/19

**CAPSULE:** Faculty Senate Legislation #2021-14(A) – Amendment to the *Faculty Manual* Section A3– Voting Rights of the University Faculty, A3.1(b) and A3.1(c)

() PRESIDENT'S RESPONSE
APPROVED: DATE: 11/9/21 (President's Signature)
OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT: Guillermo Prado, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs
EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION: <u>Upon approval of the vote of the faculty and the Board of Trustees, whichever comes last</u>
NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO:
REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED):