



**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Julio Frenk  
University President

**From:** Linda L. Neider  
Chair, Faculty Senate

**Date:** October 28, 2021

**Subject:** Faculty Senate Legislation #2021-15(A) – Amendments to the *Faculty Manual* Section A10 – Actions by the Faculty, A10.1 and A10.2

Reference Legislation #2021-14(A) – Amendment to the *Faculty Manual* Section A3– Voting Rights of the UNIVERSITY FACULTY, A3.1(b) and A3.1(c)

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The Faculty Senate, at its September 29, 2021, meeting and further amended at the October 27, 2021, meeting, had no objections to amending the *Faculty Manual* Charter section **A10 – Actions by the Faculty, A10.1 and A10.2** to clarify the spirit of the section and to correspond to the revised section A3– Voting Rights of the UNIVERSITY FACULTY, A3.1(b) and A3.1(c).

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**A10 Actions by the Faculty**

A10.1 The voting members of a department faculty may by annual vote extend partial voting privileges to full-time or part-time members of the department not previously designated as voting members. These voting privileges shall not include voting privileges in the school or University Faculty, membership on the consultative committee for the appointment of a chair, or voting privileges on the reappointment of a chair.

A10.2 A quorum in a department shall consist of a majority of its voting members, including those members of the department to whom partial voting privileges have been extended. A proposed action by a department is effective only if passed by a majority of the voting members present at a meeting of the department where quorum has been achieved. Such an action shall be effective at the time determined by the department unless it is inconsistent with University policy or procedures, the *Faculty Manual* and/or the respective school bylaws as determined by the dean in consultation with the School Council or, when necessary, with the Faculty Senate. Concerns as to whether the action potentially conflicts with University policy or procedures, the *Faculty Manual* and/or the respective school bylaws may be raised by the Dean, the department chair, or

~~any voting member of the department or School Council provided they have first raised these issues with the department chair. unless, in the opinion of the department chair, the action potentially affects school or University policy or procedures. In this event, the chair of the department shall transmit the action to the dean and may also transmit an independent opinion in support of or in opposition to the action. The dean may~~The dean may then request a reconsideration of the action by the department and may also present an independent opinion ~~in writing or in person~~. If, in the opinion of the dean, the action does not potentially affect school or University policy or procedures, the dean shall return a copy of the action, so designated, to the chair, and the action is thereby effective. If, in the opinion of the dean, the action does potentially affects school or University policy or procedures, the dean shall transmit the issue action to the School Council and/or to the General Welfare Committee of the Faculty Senate. ~~appropriate committee of the school faculty or University Faculty, or, if there is no appropriate committee, to the Council of the school or to the Senate.~~ The dean may also transmit an opinion in support of or in opposition to a department ~~the~~ action at any time, to the department and to the School Council. If the dean neither acts within 10 academic<sup>1</sup> days nor requests additional time for consideration, the department may transmit the action directly to the Council of the school or to the Senate.

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[END TEXT]

This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.

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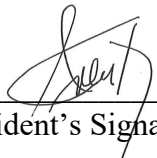
cc: Jeffrey Duerk, Executive Vice President and Provost  
Guillermo Prado, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs  
All Academic Deans

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<sup>1</sup> [#2011-25\(A\)](#) – approved by the faculty and the Board of Trustees, effective as of 11/27/12

**CAPSULE:** Faculty Senate Legislation #2021-15(A) – Amendments to the *Faculty Manual* Section A10 – Actions by the Faculty, A10.1 and A10.2

**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: Upon approval of the vote of the faculty and the Board  
of Trustees, whichever comes last

NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO: \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED): \_\_\_\_\_