Summary of Suggested Changes to the UW SPH Bylaws

March 2024

Updates Within Articles relative to current Bylaws

Article	Article in	Section	Input
Lead Paragraph	Lead Paragraph	Part N/A	 Update Add "University of Washington" and acronyms for UW, SPH, and the Faculty Code and Governance. Acronyms are then updated throughout the document to reflect what is noted in this lead paragraph.
Article I, Purpose and Function	Article I, Purpose and Function	Section 1 Purpose; Section 2, School's Governing Body	Added links to pertinent FCG sections.
Article I, Purpose and Function	Article I, Purpose and Function	Section 3, Function of the Faculty	 Per UW Secretary of the Faculty, removed language copied in from the Faculty Code and Governance (FCG), and used links to the applicable sections instead. Removed part A-C for reasons noted above.
Article II, Voting Membership	Article II, Voting Membership		 Updated to include teaching faculty; follows revised FCG Per UW Secretary of the Faculty, removed language copied in from the FCG, and used links to the applicable sections instead. Updates applicable to parts A-C; parts D-F removed for reasons noted above.
Article III, School-wide Faculty Meetings, Orders of Business, and Agenda	Article VI School-wide Faculty Meetings, Orders of Business, and Agenda	Section 1, Meetings	 Restructured to become Article III per Secretary of the Faculty. UW Secretary of the Faculty suggested adding clarity in the first paragraph re: submitting meeting requests by ten percent of the voting faculty. Added that these will be delivered to the dean and the chair of Faculty Council.

Article	Article in current Bylaws	Section Part	Input Update
Article IV, Faculty Council and Committees	Article III, Faculty Council and Standing Committees	Section 1, Faculty Council	 Title of Article updated. Part A, Responsibilities: updated tracks and ranks where Faculty Council provides a secondary review to refer to current professorial tracks. Part B, Membership: Two paragraphs separated and expanded into nine. Language added re: representation on Faculty Council, including additional members, roles and structure of terms. Specifically: Articulated primary responsibility of members. Clarified voting on promotions for departmental representative and alternate. Updated to the word "interdepartmental" from "interdisciplinary" as recommended by Dean Godwin to accurately reflect the programs represented by this position. Clarified interdepartmental representative is for all interdepartmental programs housed in the Office of the Dean and not just the two programs mentioned previously. Interdepartmental representative term changed from one year to two years. Added an at-large representative from SPH voting faculty at any rank. At-large representative term is two years on opposite cycle from interdepartmental representative. Neither the at-large nor interdepartmental representatives attend promotion executive sessions. Part C, Elections: New paragraph added, "During Spring quarter of the second year" to address election of interdepartmental and atlarge representatives. Part D, Officers: New text added to indicate the Chair and Vice Chair of Faculty Council are eligible to be re-elected.

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			Part E, Procedures and Meetings: New text added to the second paragraph, "Academic human resources staff" clarifying attendance at regular executive sessions (called by the Chair or majority of members with all seven Faculty Council members attending and others at the discretion of the Faculty Council) versus promotion executive sessions (restricted to the five departmental members or alternates and including an Academic Human Resources staff person from the Office of the Dean).
Article IV, Faculty Council and Committees	Article III, Faculty Council and Committees	Section 2, Committees	 Part A, Committees of the School of Public Health: The first paragraph was separated into two paragraphs – the first addresses formation of committees; the second membership of said committees. Added Faculty Council to the committees that will have a charge (now in the third paragraph). UW Secretary of the Faculty rejected the use of the word "standing," in the first paragraph, which was removed. Further clarification was also added re: the creation of temporary and new committees. UW Secretary of the Faculty rejected the use of the word "other," as in "other members" within the second paragraph, it was removed and updated to provide clarity on what "other" had meant to intend. UW Secretary of the Faculty suggested adding clarity in the fifth paragraph re: nominations for student members of committees, specifically that these are coordinated between the committee chair and the assistant dean for students in the Office of the Dean. Part B, Ad Hoc Committees of the Faculty Council: removed due to redundancy with above changes, any applicable language modified above.

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Article V, Delegation of Powers to Departmental Faculties	Article IX, Delegation of Powers to Departmental Faculties	Section 1, Delegation	 Restructured to become Article V per Secretary of the Faculty. Per UW Secretary of the Faculty, removed language copied in from the FCG, and used links to the applicable sections instead. Updated titles delegated to departments re: making recommendations for appointments and promotions.
Article V, Delegation of Powers to Departmental Faculties	Article IX, Delegation of Powers to Departmental Faculties	Section 2, Standards	New section number added.
Article V, Delegation of Powers to Departmental Faculties	Article IX, Delegation of Powers to Departmental Faculties	Section 3, University Handbook Governs (updated to "Faculty Code and Governance (FCG) Governs" in intermediate version)	Per UW Secretary of the Faculty, removed section as language is repetitive and unnecessary.
Article VI, Voting on Conferred Powers and Duties	Article V, Voting		 Article title updated. Omitted mail ballot: all voting will occur by electronic ballot. UW Secretary of the Faculty rejected the phrase, "Actions are approved by a simple majority of faculty eligible to vote, provided quorum has been reached," (second paragraph) as it is already defined in the previous paragraph. Language removed.
Article VII, Quorum	Article IV, Quorum		 Restructured to become Article VII per Secretary of the Faculty. Language added/proposed in last review by faculty removed. Original language from current version of the Bylaws remains with the added clarification of faculty "that belong to that to faculty group".

Article	Article in current Bylaws	Section Part	Input Update
Article VIII, Parliamentary Authority	Article VII, Parliamentary Authority		 Restructured to become Article VIII per Secretary of the Faculty.
Article IX, Amendments	Article VIII, Amendments		 Restructured to become Article IX per Secretary of the Faculty.