COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES AND RULES
2014-2015 Meeting #2, October 21, 2014

Minutes

Members Present: Mohamad Ansari, Larry Backer, John Bagby, Dawn Blasko, Mark Casteel, Michael Chorney, Patricia Hinchey, Pamela Hufnagel, Jonna Kulikowich, Robert Ricketts, Kim Steiner, James Strauss

Members Absent: Christopher Long, Brenton Yarnal

Other: Dan Hagen

Chair Mark Casteel called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. in 201 Kern Building.

The minutes of the September 9, 2014 meeting were approved unanimously. Chair Casteel summarized the Officers and Chairs meeting of October 20. Two course management systems are being considered, and a pilot test of Blackboard is planned for spring semester. Various committees are developing reports for submission.

Old Business

Revisions to the Constitution, Article II, Sections 3 and 5 (Membership) is on October 21 Senate Agenda.

Revisions to the Bylaws, Article II, Section 2 (Senate Council) and Article VII, Section 4 (Delegation of Authority) is on October 21 Senate Agenda.

Revisions to the Standing Rules, Article II, Section 6 (e and i) (Standing Committee Structure) is on October 21 Senate Agenda.

Revisions to the Bylaws, Article III, Section 3 (Election to the Senate) Procedures for Retiree Senators on October 21 Senate Agenda. The committee discussed suggested changes in the report and decided to ask the proposer to offer an amendment during the plenary session. The amendment will be projected on the screen during the plenary session for clarity.

Revisions to the Standing Rules, Article III, Section 7 (Joint Faculty/Administrative Committee to Monitor Travel Policies) on October 21 Senate Agenda.

Revisions to the Standing Rules (Committee on Athletics Searches). The report was returned to committee at the September 9 Senate meeting. Subsequent conversations of Linda Caldwell, Faculty Athletic Representative, and the leadership of CCR and input from John Boemer, a former chair of IAC, questioned the need for a separate committee.
Blasko, Hinchey, Bagby, and Casteel will develop a revised process to address the intent and present it at the December 9 CC&R meeting.

**New Business**

Revisions to the Bylaws, Article II, Section 1 (Duties). The draft document was discussed. Jim Strauss offered the wording he had suggested previously to Casteel and Hagen. The general consensus was to add (c) 3 to the current duties to reflect informational reports not submitted by standing committees. Ansari will provide his draft for that item to the committee for comment. The revised change to the Standing Rules will then be considered at the December meeting of CC&R.

Time limitation on serving on a committee. The committee discussed the merits of no limit and the current limit of six years. Discussion indicated the committee was split on the issue, with a majority favoring no change, so Chair Casteel made the decision not to pursue the matter further.

Qualifications for Senate membership and role of administrators on Senate. Discussion focused on whether or not all vice presidents and vice provosts should be invited to Senate Council meetings. The consensus was there is no compelling reason to do so.

Academic Trustee for Board of Trustees. Chair Casteel asked the committee to develop procedures to elect an academic trustee, in anticipation that the Board of Trustees will act at its November 2014 meeting to add such a seat to the Board. Discussion focused on mechanism and timing. It was decided that the process should be similar to that for election of FAC members and Senate officers. The intent is to have legislation ready to present to the Senate in December. This approach will require a committee vote on the matter in time to submit the Legislative Report to Senate Council on November 18. Casteel and Hagen will develop a draft for committee review. The nominee will be subject to vote by the Board, so only one name would be forwarded to the Board for consideration.

**Other Topics for Discussion**

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Submitted by Dan Hagen, Executive Director