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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SR-01-02-22 (EC)

Recommends that the Constitutional Ad Hoc Committee's proposed three amendments to the Faculty Senate Constitution be approved for presentation to the full faculty for their deliberation and subsequent vote.

Amendment One: The **deletion** from Article VI—Standing Committees, “Section 11. Graduate Committee.” Subsequent Sections and Articles will be appropriately renumbered.

A. Powers and Functions. The primary function of the Graduate Committee shall be to represent the faculty on the Graduate Council. The members of the Graduate Committee shall constitute the faculty appointees to the Graduate Council. The Graduate Committee shall make recommendations to the Senate which promote the advancement and improvement of Graduate Study at Marshall University. The Faculty Senate President will serve as the senate liaison to the Graduate Council.

B. Membership. Each unit having graduate programs shall elect one member. All members must hold full graduate status. One senator holding full graduate status shall be appointed by the executive committee. One graduate student shall be appointed by the Graduate Student Organization. The ex-officio nonvoting members shall be the Dean of the Graduate School, the Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Vice President for Health Sciences and the faculty advisors to the Graduate Student Association.

Amendment Two: The **insertion** of the following as Article VII—Graduate Council. Subsequent Sections and Articles will be appropriately renumbered.

Section 1. The Marshall University Faculty Senate system shall include, in addition to the Faculty Senate itself, the Graduate Council. The Graduate Council has certain specified functions and works in cooperation with the Senate on other matters. The Graduate Council shall meet of its own accord, elect its own officers, determine its own committee and subcommittee structure(s), and have authority over other such matters as relate to its operation.

Section 2. Powers and Functions. The primary responsibility of the Graduate Council is to make policy recommendations with respect to the graduate education mission of the university to the university President. Specific functions include the facilitation of long range planning for graduate education at Marshall University, the recommendation of new programs and courses, the evaluation of existing programs and courses, the facilitation of graduate accreditation, the recommendation of promotion and tenure policies related to graduate education, and the recommendation of approval of graduate faculty to the university President.

Section 3. Membership. Voting representation on the Graduate Council shall include seven individuals from the South Charleston campus (four faculty members elected at large, one faculty member from CITE, one librarian with faculty rank, and a faculty senate liaison*), nine individuals from the Huntington campus (one representative each from the Lewis College of Business, the College of Education and Human Services, the College of Fine Arts, the College of Liberal Arts, the College of

Science, the School of Journalism and Mass Communications, the College of Nursing and Health Professions, the School of Medicine; and the president of the Faculty Senate*), and one graduate student representative elected at-large. Ex-officio (nonvoting) members include the Dean of the Graduate College, the Provost/Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Vice President for Graduate Studies, and the Vice President of Research.

(*In the event the Faculty Senate President is from the South Charleston campus, the faculty senate liaison will be elected from the Huntington campus.)

Section 4. Elections and Terms. Each voting Graduate Council member's term (other than the graduate student representative) shall be four years. Elections for voting members (other than the graduate student representative) shall occur in the spring of odd-numbered years to coincide with Faculty Senate elections. The graduate student representative shall have a one-year term with election each spring. Voting members may serve no more than two consecutive terms. The Bylaws of the Graduate Council determine additional procedures and policies as needed regarding elections, terms, attendance requirements, interim members, standing committees, vacancies, and so forth, and may be revised and clarified as needed by the Graduate Council.

Section 5. Graduate Council-Senate Relationship. All actions taken by the Graduate Council with respect to the functions specified in Section 2 shall be submitted directly to the university President or the President's designee for approval. All such actions shall be communicated to the Faculty Senate. On matters not related to those functions, the Graduate Council and Senate will work collaboratively in whatever format is deemed appropriate by the respective executive committees.

Amendment Three: The revision of Article VI—Standing Committees, Section 5. The Executive Committee. B. Membership (bold font).

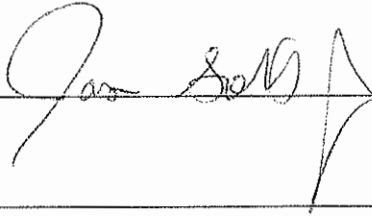
One (1) Senator representing each academic unit of the university, elected by the full Senate, shall serve. The term "academic unit" is defined as the Lewis College of Business, The Community & Technical College, The Colleges of Education & Human Services, Fine Arts, Liberal Arts, Nursing & Health Professions, Science, the Schools of Medicine and the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism & Mass Communications, the Graduate School of Information Technology and Engineering, and the Marshall University Libraries. Hence the total number of elected members shall be eleven (11) except as provided in Section 5G. In addition, **ex-officio, voting membership shall consist of the Graduate Council Chair and** ex-officio, nonvoting membership shall consist of the faculty representatives to the Advisory Council of Faculty to the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission and Marshall University Board of Governors. The President of the University shall also serve as an ex-officio, nonvoting member of this committee.

RATIONALE:

This is an effort to effect congruence between and among the various documents concerning faculty governance subsequent to the merger of Marshall University with the former West Virginia Graduate College.

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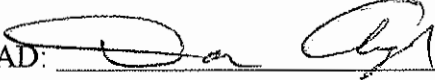
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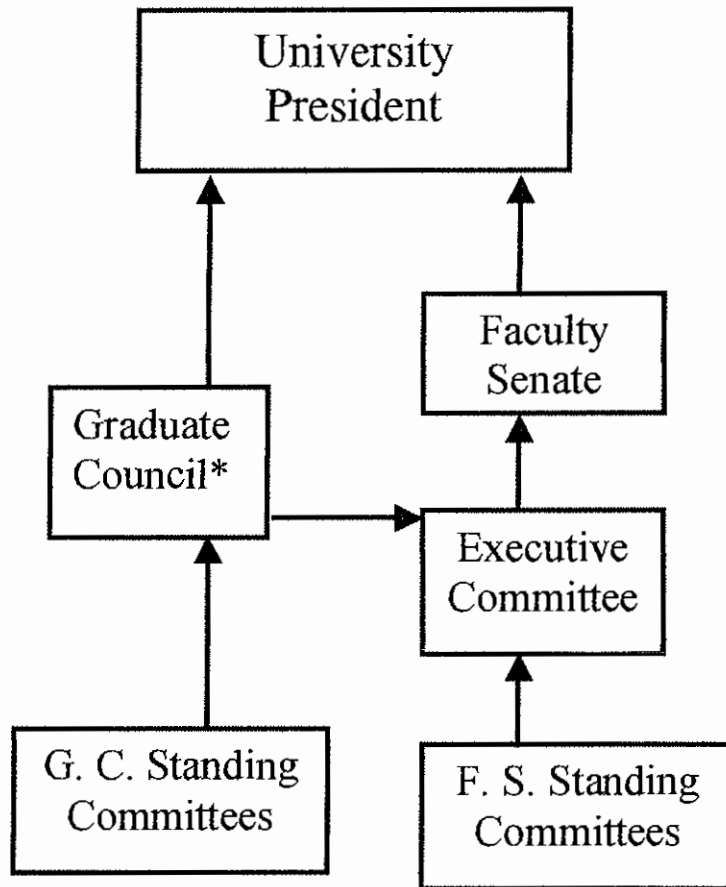


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COMMENTS:

This information is an illustration of the functional relationship between the Faculty Senate and the Graduate Council (this will not be included in the Faculty Senate Constitution).

Faculty Governance Flow Chart



*The Graduate Council reports to the University President or the President's designee on matters relating to graduate education as specified in Article VII, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Marshall University Faculty. On all other matters, the Graduate Council works with the Faculty Senate through the Executive Committee.