

objectives and in the identification of institutional strengths and weaknesses; to develop procedures and schedules for major planning efforts; to coordinate planning processes by reducing duplication of effort and by providing a forum to discuss cross-impacts and planning problems; to direct the preparation of the University Strategic Plan for review by the President and by the University community; to conduct open hearings on the University Strategic Plan to receive comments from the University community and make appropriate revisions based on these hearings and on suggestions from the President; and to review and submit comments at the President's request on ad hoc issues and plans.

Standing Committees of the Faculty

Standing Committees of the Faculty Reporting to the President

Each spring semester, the Provost polls the faculty to determine on which faculty committee(s) each faculty member would like to serve. Upon receipt of the completed survey, the Provost and the President of the Faculty Senate confer to appoint faculty members to serve on standing committees of the faculty, with the normal length of service being two academic years.

Athletics Committee

The Committee serves to enhance communication and collaboration among the athletic department, the academic faculty and the administration. The Committee is responsible for advising and making recommendations to the President and the Director of Athletics, primarily on academic athletic matters. The Committee also advises and makes recommendations to the President and Director of Athletics on other matters related to intercollegiate athletics, particularly those that may impact student athletes' recruitment, success and integration into the university community, as well as other matters which may be brought to the Committee by the President or the Director of Athletics.

In keeping with the procedures for appointments to other standing university committees, the Provost will confer with the President of the Faculty Senate regarding identification of faculty who have an interest in serving on the Committee. Nominations for membership are subject to approval by the President. Members

Standing Committees of the Faculty Reporting to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Commencement Committee

The Commencement Committee's objectives are to present dignified, orderly, and impressive graduation exercises and to attract as many parents, students, and patrons of the University as possible. It recommends a budget for all expenses incidental to graduation, the program, and stage decorations for the exercises.

Honors Committee

The Honors Committee establishes standards for the Honors Program. The Committee also makes recommendations regarding policies and curricula for the Honors Program.

Library Committee

The Library Committee facilitates a three-way communication among students, faculty, and library staff regarding the library and its operations, use, and needs. It serves as an advisory board to the library director, assists the staff in reviewing the library's general policies and services for needed changes and/or additions, and acts as a support/focus group for the library when needed. Through the Library Director, recommendations are made to the Provost as appropriate.

Standing Committees of the Faculty Reporting to the Vice President for Student Affairs

Student Conduct Hearing Board

The Student Conduct Hearing Board is a committee of students and faculty and/or staff members who hear discipline cases. This hearing board is authorized to determine whether a student and/or student organization has violated the Student Code of Conduct and to recommend the imposition of sanctions. The Board consists of at least two but no more than four members and a chairperson (who votes only in the case of a tie). The Student Conduct Hearing Board reports to the Vice President for Student Affairs.

Traffic and Parking Committee

The Traffic and Parking Committee reports to the Vice President for Student Affairs. It promotes consistency in enforcement for University parking and traffic regulations, insures guidelines for equitable resolution of conflict exist, reviews the campus map and parking regulations to ensure accuracy and proper distribution, and assesses the adequacy of parking fines and fees.

Standing Committees Elected by the Faculty

Faculty Grievance Committee

The Faculty Grievance Committee hears the grievances filed by faculty in accordance with the [Procedure for Resolving Faculty Complaints](#). The composition of the Committee is described in the [Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws](#).

University Tenure and Promotion Committee

The membership and role of the University Tenure and Promotion Committee is described in the [University Tenure and Promotion Procedures](#).

serves as advocate to the University's personnel for the institution's technology transfer efforts, recommends to

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