

MICHIGAN STATE
U N I V E R S I T Y

October 10, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees Policy Committee

FROM: President Lou Anna K. Simon

RE: Revision to Bylaws for Academic Governance for Review by the
MSU Board of Trustees

RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Trustee Policy Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees approval of the recommended revised Bylaws for Academic Governance (attached), as approved by University Council on September 20, 2011, changes effective Spring Semester, 2012.

In accordance with those bylaws (8.3.2.1), I have reviewed the changes, concur with the proposed revisions, and now request action by the Board of Trustees.



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BACKGROUND

On **September 20, 2011**, University Council approved the recommended revisions to the Bylaws for Academic Governance (Attachment A). The changes reflect the appropriate deletion of a phrase in 1.1.2.1 and 1.1.2.2, overlooked in the earlier revision.

Attachments

C: Board of Trustees Finance Committee
Kim Wilcox, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Robert A. Noto, Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel
William Beekman, Secretary to the Board

Proposed Changes in Bylaws for Academic Governance

Current Language with Proposed Amendments

Delete the words “on a regular basis” in 1.1.2.1 and 1.1.2.2 and to read as follows:

1.1.2.1. The voting faculty in the election of University-level councils and committees shall be all regular faculty, health professions faculty, and NSCL faculty. Voting faculty also includes full-time fixed-term faculty who have served at least three consecutive years and who are engaged in the academic activities of the University. ~~on a regular basis.~~

1.1.2.2. The voting faculty in the election of department, school, or college councils and committees and in elections pertaining to department, school, or college policies and decisions shall include all regular faculty engaged in the academic activities of that unit ~~on a regular basis~~ and may, if so provided by unit bylaws, also include health professions faculty, NSCL faculty, fixed-term faculty, honorary faculty, specialists, lecturers, research associates, assistant instructors, and/or adjunct faculty.

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