Digest of Changes to the Faculty Handbook: Section 1 - Bylaws
Proposed Handbook Revision

- Combine into one handbook, deleting all but three appendices, referring to policies that exist elsewhere
  - Preface: Based on Current Handbook – Passed Faculty Senate on 02/26/24
  - Section 1: Constitution & Bylaws of Faculty Senate & Senate Standing Committees
  - Section 2: Statement on Academic Freedom
  - Section 3: Code of Faculty Ethics

Current Step: Section 1 - Bylaws
Proposed Organization

BL 1 – Quorum

BL 2 – Rules of Order

BL 3 – Vacancies

BL 4 – Elections
  ▶ Moved from end of bylaws

BL 5 – Expectations for Conduct

BL 6 – Faculty Senate Officers and Standing Committees
Substantive Changes To Bylaws
BL 2: Rules of Order

Secret Ballots

- Adds language stipulating that secret ballots are to be used when there are multiple candidates for an office
BL 3: Vacancies

- Clarifies that Faculty Senate vacancies are to be filled by nominations from college governance bodies, not through Senate Executive Council.
BL 4: Elections

- Adds Senate Election timeline

- Clarifies that only new and continuing Senators vote for new Exec members at last meeting of the year
BL 5: Expectations for Conduct

- Adds language stipulating that Senators are expected to regularly attend Senate meetings
- Refers to AIP Standard Code for Parliamentary Procedure for other conduct issues and how they will be addressed
BL 6: Officers and Committees

- This section is currently under review and will be brought before the Senate before the end of the quarter.
Discussion and Next Steps

Original Handbook and Proposed Bylaws available at: May 6, 2024 Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda | Faculty Senate | Western Washington University (wwu.edu)