

Governance Committee
Sandra Rezac, Chair
2019 Summer Planning Meeting
Zoom
June 11 and 12, 2020

Charge: The Committee will concern itself with University-wide governance and shall provide guidance on matters of campus governance. The committee shall interact with local governance leaders of the University. The committee is responsible for the publication of the Governance Handbook and will review and update it every four years.

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Committee Goals for 2019-20:

1. Bylaws and standing rules revisions. We will complete work on the proposed new Bylaws and Standing Rules and will present them to the Senate for discussion (fall plenary) and vote (winter plenary.)
2. Guidelines revisions. These were formerly referred to as Procedures in the 2013 Bylaws and Procedures. We will finish updating the guidelines this year.
3. Review and update the Governance Handbook. During this review, particular attention will be paid to the effectiveness of the consultation and visitation processes, since they have been used several times in recent years.
4. Rubric on the assessment of shared governance. Building on work from the SUNY Council on Assessment (SCoA) and the Faculty Council on Community Colleges (FCCC), we will develop a rubric to assess shared governance on SUNY state-op and statutory campuses.

5 Revisit the verification of campus governance consultation (“program action”) resolution. We will look at the data collected last year and decide if we want to pursue further action on this goal, possibly in conjunction with the CGLs.

Committee meeting dates (include type of meeting):

Since the 2019 Summer Planning Meeting, the following conference calls and meetings have been held:

July 11, 2019. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. (Participants: Sandra Rezac, Henry Flax, James McLean, Shelly Mozlin, and Bruce Simon.) We continued discussing proposed revisions to the bylaws and standing rules.

July 16, 2019. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. (Participants: Sandra Rezac, Henry Flax, James McLean, Shelly Mozlin, and Bruce Simon.) We continued discussing proposed revisions to the bylaws and standing rules.

July 17, 2019. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. (Participants: Sandra Rezac, Henry Flax, James McLean, Shelly Mozlin, and Bruce Simon.) We continued discussing proposed revisions to the bylaws and standing rules.

August 1 -2, 2019. Bylaws subcommittee meeting in Albany. (Participants: Sandra Rezac, James McLean, Shelly Mozlin, and Bruce Simon.) We completed a draft of the standing rules, and began review of the guidelines.

September 9, 2019. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. (Participants: Sandra Rezac, James McLean, Shelly Mozlin, and Bruce Simon.) We continued discussing proposed revisions to the guidelines.

September 12-13, 2019. Fall Planning Meeting, Syracuse, NY. The Governance Committee set the committee agenda for the coming year and reviewed the draft bylaws and standing rules.

September 23, 2019. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. (Participants: Sandra Rezac, Henry Flax, James McLean, Mike Motta and Bruce Simon.) We discussed feedback regarding the draft bylaws and standing rules.

September 30, 2019. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. (Participants: Sandra Rezac, James McLean, Mike Motta, Trish Ralph, and Bruce Simon.) We finalized copies of the revised bylaws and standing rules to be sent to the Senate, and discussed committee charges.

December 2, 2019. Governance Committee Conference Call. We began work on the Governance Handbook.

December 11, 2019. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. We began planning for the upcoming bylaws and standing rules votes.

December 19, 2019. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. We continued to work on revisions to the guidelines.

January 6, 2020. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. We discussed amendments to the proposed bylaws.

January 9, 2020. Bylaws subcommittee conference call. The agenda for this upcoming meeting is to continue revisions to the guidelines.

January 9, 2020. Bylaws Taskforce conference call. We continued to revise the Guidelines.

January 21, 2020. Bylaws Taskforce conference call. We continued to revise the Guidelines.

February 10, 2020. Bylaws Taskforce conference call. We continued to revise the Guidelines.

Committee accomplishments since the last summer planning meeting:

1. Bylaws and standing rules revisions. These were completed and presented at the Fall Plenary and approved at the Winter Plenary.
2. Guidelines revisions. The bylaws taskforce has continued to work on these revisions, and will complete them soon.
3. Governance handbook. We began preliminary work on revisions to the governance handbook.

Possible Committee Goals for 2020-21:

1. Review and update the Governance Handbook.
2. Rubric on the assessment of shared governance. Building on work from the SUNY Council on Assessment (SCoA) and the Faculty Council on Community Colleges (FCCC), we will develop a rubric to assess shared governance on SUNY state-op and statutory campuses.
3. Consider a resolution regarding the importance of maintaining good shared governance practices, even during times of crisis. Perhaps suggest that local governance bodies review their own bylaws to ensure that they have appropriate policies to allow for quick action if necessary.