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	6. Unless specifically indicated otherwise, Senate	
6. Unless specifically indicated otherwise, Senate	shall make its decisions on the basis of a simple majority of	
shall make its decisions on the basis of a simple majority of	those Senators present and voting at a duly constituted	
those Senators present and voting at a duly constituted	meeting.	
meeting.		
	7. All Senators have the same rights and obligations	
7. All Senators have the same rights and obligations	under Senates rules.	
under Senates rules.		
	8. The Chair of Senate shall enforce the rules in the	

8. The Chair of Senate shall enforce the rules in the spirit of these principles and, in so doing, will act fairly and impartially. [June 28, 2001]	spirit of these principles and, in so doing, will act fairly and impartially. [June 28, 2001]	
II. AUTHORITY, APPROVAL AND CODIFICATION	II. AUTHORITY, APPROVAL AND CODIFICATION	
1. Changes to Rules	Changes to Rules, Procedures and Guidelines	
Substantive additions or alterations to or deletions from any of the rules of Senate shall not be made except by resolution of the Senate. [February 28, 2002]	Substantive additions or alterations to or deletions from any of the rules of Senate shall not be made except by resolution of the Senate. [February 28, 2002]	
2. Senate Handbook	2. Publication Senate Rules, Procedures and Guidelines	Changes in A 2 have been made for consistency with the
a) Not less frequently than every three years a Senate Handbook shall be published.	a) Not less frequently than every three years an updated version of Senate's Rules, Procedures and Guidelines shall be published online.	recommended title of the document. The language in A 2. C has been trimmed to eliminate
b) Nothing shall be included in the Senate-Handbook that purports to be a statute, by-law, rule or regulation of the Senate unless that statute, by-law, rule or regulation has been adopted by express resolution of the Senate.	b) Nothing shall be included in Senate's Rules, Procedures and Guidelines that purports to be a statute, by- law, rule or regulation of the Senate unless that statute, by- law, rule or regulation has been adopted by express	redundancy.
c) No new edition of the Senate Handbook shall be published with any amendments, revisions, alteration, or	resolution of the Senate.	
changes of any kind unless such amendments, revisions, alterations, or changes have been included in the body of a Senate Agenda, and adopted by express resolution of the Senate.	c) No modifications of Senate's Rules, Procedures and Guidelines shall be made unless any and all revisions, alteration, amendments, revisions, alterations, or changes have been included in the body of a Senate Agenda, and adopted by express resolution of the Senate.	
d) Any member of the Senate may propose an amendment, revision, alteration, or change to the Senate Handbook. [March 28, 2002]	d) The Executive Committee is responsible for overseeing the production of Senate's Rule, Procedures and Guidelines and proposed changes are normally reviewed and recommended to Senate by the Executive Committee. However, any member of the Senate may propose an amendment, revision, alteration, or change to Senate's rules, procedures and guidelines. [March 28, 2002]	This language describes practices that flow out of the Executive Committee's mandate (see Terms of Reference, 2) without limiting the ability of Senators to propose changes.
3. Matters Not Covered by these Rules	3. Matters Not Covered by these Rules	
These rules are intended to be comprehensive. When an	These rules are intended to be comprehensive. When an	
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issue not foreseen by these rules arises, the Chair, in keeping with the principles outlined in the preamble, shall make a ruling or consult with Senate Executive. The Chair shall report at the next meeting of Senate, which may consider what action to amend these rules and procedures, if any, should occur.	issue not foreseen by these rules arises, the Chair, in keeping with the principles outlined in the preamble, shall make a ruling or consult with Senate Executive. The Chair shall report at the next meeting of Senate, which may consider what action to amend these rules and procedures, if any, should occur.	
III. OFFICERS OF SENATE AND THEIR DUTIES	III. OFFICERS OF SENATE AND THEIR DUTIES	
1. Term of Office for the Chair and Vice-Chair	1. Term of Office for the Chair and Vice-Chair	
The Chair shall serve for a period of eighteen months. The Vice-Chair serves for a period of eighteen months and succeeds the Chair for eighteen months. [March 27, 2003]	The Chair shall serve for a period of eighteen months. The Vice-Chair serves for a period of eighteen months and succeeds the Chair for eighteen months. [March 27, 2003]	
2. Duties of the Chair	2. Duties of the Chair	
The Chair of Senate is responsible for giving leadership to the Senate in the pursuit of its mandate. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Chair presides at all meetings of Senate, acts as the official spokesperson for Senate, chairs the Executive Committee of Senate, and ensures that Senate and its committees operate in conformity with the rules enacted by Senate. [May 22, 1986]	The Chair of Senate is responsible for giving leadership to the Senate in the pursuit of its mandate. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Chair presides at all meetings of Senate, acts as the official spokesperson for Senate, chairs the Executive Committee of Senate, and ensures that Senate and its committees operate in conformity with the rules enacted by Senate. [May 22, 1986]	
3. Duties of the Vice-Chair	3. Duties of the Vice-Chair	
The Vice-Chair of Senate assists the Chair in giving leadership to Senate, serves as the vice-chair of the Senate Executive Committee, and presides at meetings of Committee of the Whole. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair may exercise any and all powers and authorities of the Chair. The Vice-Chair of Senate succeeds the Chair at the expiration of the Chair's term or in the event of the Chair's resignation. The Vice-Chair is the Chief Teller for all votes. [May 22, 1986; June 26, 1969]	The Vice-Chair of Senate assists the Chair in giving leadership to Senate, serves as the vice-chair of the Senate Executive Committee, and presides at meetings of Committee of the Whole. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair may exercise any and all powers and authorities of the Chair. The Vice-Chair of Senate succeeds the Chair at the expiration of the Chair's term or in the event of the Chair's resignation. The Vice-Chair is the Chief Teller for all votes at Senate meetings . [May 22, 1986; June 26, 1969]	
4. Secretary of Senate	4. Secretary of Senate	
a) The Secretary of Senate is appointed by the President and is responsible for the proper maintenance of Senate's records and papers. The Secretary attends all	a) The Secretary of Senate is appointed by the President and is responsible for the proper maintenance of Senate's records and papers. The Secretary attends all	The term "papers" is somewhat archaic. "Records" and "documents" are the words

meetings of the Senate and prepares minutes of all proceedings. The Secretary prepares all resolutions, reports-or other papers which the Senate may direct, and all copies which may be required of any such document-or papers, prepares and countersigns all official documents, and generally discharges such other duties as may be assigned to him/her by the Senate or, when the Senate is not in session, by the Chair. In the case of the absence or illness of the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary shall act as Secretary pro tempore and for such period shall have all the powers of the Secretary. [May 22, 1986]	meetings of the Senate and prepares minutes of all proceedings. The Secretary prepares all resolutions, reports or other papers documents which the Senate may direct, and all copies which may be required of any such document or papers, prepares and countersigns all official documents, and generally discharges such other duties as may be assigned to him/her by the Senate or, when the Senate is not in session, by the Chair. In the case of the absence or illness of the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary shall act as Secretary pro tempore and for such period shall have all the powers of the Secretary. [May 22, 1986]	generally recognized. Paper is also limiting since the Secretary is responsible for maintaining and making accessible records that are in different formats.
b) Any written communication on any subject coming properly within the cognizance of any standing committee shall be referred to the Chair of that committee by the Secretary acting under the direction of the Chair. (Statutory Rule)	b) Any written communication on any subject coming properly within the cognizance of any standing committee shall be referred to the Chair of that committee by the Secretary acting under the direction of the Chair. (Statutory Rule)	Note: The qualifier "written" continues to be valid in this clause.
IV. MEETINGS OF SENATE	IV. MEETINGS OF SENATE	
1. Regular Meeting Date and Time	1. Regular Meeting Date and Time	
Senate shall meet at 3:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month except July and August. No meeting may go beyond 5:00 p.m. unless a motion to this effect is passed by a two-thirds majority of Senators present and voting, or unless the agenda clearly indicates an alternate termination time as determined by the Executive Committee. [December 1988; March 27, 2003]	Senate shall meet at 3:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month except July and August. No meeting may go beyond 5:00 p.m. unless a motion to this effect is passed by a two-thirds majority of Senators present and voting, or unless the agenda clearly indicates an alternate termination time as determined by the Executive Committee. [December 1988; March 27, 2003]	
2. Summer Authority	2. Summer Authority	
Between the June meeting of Senate and the first regular meeting of Senate in September, the Executive Committee of Senate shall possess and may exercise any or all of the powers, authorities, and discretions vested in or exercisable by the Senate, save and except only such acts as may by law be performed by the members of Senate themselves; and the Executive Committee shall report to the Senate at its first regular meeting in September, what action has been taken under this authority. [April 24, 1975; amended March 25, 1982; amended June 24, 1993; amended October 26, 2006]	Between the June meeting of Senate and the first regular meeting of Senate in September, the Executive Committee of Senate shall possess and may exercise any or all of the powers, authorities, and discretions vested in or exercisable by the Senate, save and except only such acts as may by law be performed by the members of Senate themselves; and the Executive Committee shall report to the Senate at its first regular meeting in September, what action has been taken under this authority. [April 24, 1975; amended March 25, 1982; amended June 24, 1993; amended October 26, 2006]	

3. Alternative Meeting Dates and Times	3. Alternative Meeting Dates and Times	
From time to time Senate Executive may set an alternate meeting time and day. Meetings that begin at a time other than 3:00 p.m. will end after no more than two hours, unless with the consent of the two-thirds of the Senators present and voting or if the agenda clearly indicates an alternative termination time as determined by the Executive Committee. [March 27, 2003]	From time to time Senate Executive may set an alternate meeting time and day. Meetings that begin at a time other than 3:00 p.m. will end after no more than two hours, unless with the consent of the two-thirds of the Senators present and voting or if the agenda clearly indicates an alternative termination time as determined by the Executive Committee. [March 27, 2003]	The phrase "from time to time" is not necessary given the language in IV, 1, above.
4. Meeting Cancellation	4. Meeting Cancellation	
If the Executive Committee determines that there is insufficient business ready for consideration by Senate, it may agree not to hold a regular meeting.	If the Executive Committee determines that there is insufficient business ready for consideration by Senate, it may agree not to hold a regular meeting.	
5. Meeting Agenda and Order of Business	5. Meeting Agenda and Order of Business	
a) The agenda of each regular meeting of Senate is set by the Executive Committee and is published or circulated to each member of Senate no later than six days prior to the meeting for which notice is being given. The accidental omission of notice to a member shall not invalidate a meeting which has otherwise been duly convened.	a) The agenda of each regular meeting of Senate is set by the Executive Committee and is published or circulated to each member of Senate no later than six days prior to the meeting for which notice is being given. The accidental omission of notice to a member shall not invalidate a meeting which has otherwise been duly convened. The agenda page or reports shall identify any additional items which may be dealt with or supplementary documents that will be distributed prior to or at a meeting.	This language codifies a longstanding practice and ensures that pressing items of business can be taken up by Senate.
b) Unless Senate Executive exercises its authority to alter the agenda, the items of business considered at a meeting of the Senate will follow this order, without variation, except with the consent of two-thirds of Senators present and voting:	b) Unless Senate Executive exercises its authority to alter the agenda, the items of business considered at a meeting of the Senate will follow this order, without variation, except with the consent of two-thirds of Senators present and voting:	Senators should be alerted to any documents that will be distributed.
Chair's Remarks Minutes of the Previous Meeting Business Arising from the Minutes Inquiries Communications Report of the President Reports of Standing Committees Reports of Special Committees	Chair's Remarks Business Arising from the Minutes Inquiries and Communications (Colleague's Report and other items) Communications Report of the President Reports of Standing Committees Reports of Special Committees	Regularly moving 2 items to the consent agenda will create additional time for substantive business. Senators will retain the ability to ask that consent items are dealt with during the meeting. Small amendments to the minutes (such as typos or the omission of

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Unfinished Business	Unfinished Business	names) may be communicated to
Other Business for Which Due Notice Has Been Given Other Business	Other Business for Which Due Notice Has Been Given Other Business	the Secretariat).
[February 28, 1974; amended November 28, 1974;	Consent agenda (Minutes, Board synopsis and other items)	
amended October 26, 2006]	[February 28, 1974; amended November 28, 1974;	
	amended October 26, 2006]	
c) The Executive Committee may alter the order of the		
agenda for a particular meeting in order to prioritize matters	c) The Executive Committee may alter the order of the	
coming before Senate provided that the order of business	agenda for a particular meeting in order to prioritize matters	
appears on the notice of meeting.	coming before Senate provided that the order of business	
appears on the house of meeting.	appears on the notice of meeting.	
d) The notice of meeting may identify items to be dealt	appeare en tre retiee er meeting.	
with by consent. A consent agenda item is deemed to be	d) The notice of meeting may identify items to be dealt	
approved unless, prior to the commencement of a meeting,	with by consent. A consent agenda item is deemed to be	
one or more Senators advises the Chair of a request to	approved unless, prior to the commencement of a meeting,	
debate it.	one or more Senators advises the Chair of a request to	
	debate it.	
6. Open Meetings		
	6. Open Meetings	
Meetings of Senate are open to members of the University		
community, subject to the availability of space. [October 24,	Meetings of Senate are open to members of the University	
1968; affirmed by Senate Executive, June 2001]	community, subject to the availability of space. [October 24,	
	1968; affirmed by Senate Executive, June 2001]	
7. In Camera Meetings		
	7. In Camera Meetings	
a) On occasions when Senate considers matters		
relating to specific individuals or to other matters where	a) On occasions When Senate considers matters	Minor edit to eliminate a
confidentiality must be observed, the Executive Committee	relating to specific individuals or to other matters where	redundancy.
may, in the notice for a meeting, declare part of a meeting	confidentiality must be observed, the Executive Committee	
to be closed or in camera.	may, in the notice for a meeting, declare part of a meeting	
b) Kastiss has not been siven by Canada E. S. C.	to be closed or in camera.	
b) If notice has not been given by Senate Executive, a	b) If notice has not been given by Sanata Everything a	
motion to conduct all or part of a meeting in camera	b) If notice has not been given by Senate Executive, a	
requires a majority of Senators present and voting.	motion to conduct all or part of a meeting in camera	
c) When Senate meets in camera, only Senators and	requires a majority of Senators present and voting.	
staff of the University Secretariat may be present.	c) When Senate meets in camera, only Senators and	
[November 22, 2001]	staff of the University Secretariat may be present.	
	[November 22, 2001]	
8. Special Meetings		
	8. Special Meetings	
a) The Chair may call a special meeting at any time.		
,	a) The Chair may call a special meeting at any time.	

b) A special meeting shall also be called by the Chair		
on receipt of a signed petition submitted to the Secretary by	b) A special meeting shall also be called by the Chair	
a minimum of 18 Senators. The petition shall specify the	on receipt of a signed petition submitted to the Secretary by	
purpose of and need for the special meeting. [June 28,	a minimum of 18 Senators. The petition shall specify the	
2001]	purpose of and need for the special meeting. [June 28,	
	2001]	
c) Normal rules will be observed at special meetings		
of Senate with the following exceptions:	c) Normal rules will be observed at special meetings	
	of Senate with the following exceptions:	
Notice: The period of notice for a special meeting is a		
minimum of twenty-four hours.	Notice: The period of notice for a special meeting is a	
	minimum of twenty-four hours.	
Business: Only items of business specifically identified in		
the notification of such meeting can be transacted at a	Business: Only items of business specifically identified in	
special meeting (i.e., there is no "Other Business" on the	the notification of such meeting can be transacted at a	
agenda).	special meeting (i.e., there is no "Other Business" on the	
	agenda).	
9. Committee of the Whole		
a) From time to time Canada may meet as the	9. Committee of the Whole	
a) From time to time Senate may meet as the	a) From time to time Constants are to a the	
Committee of the Whole. The purpose of meeting as the	a) From time to time Senate may meet as the	
Committee of the Whole is to facilitate discussion by	Committee of the Whole. The purpose of meeting as the Committee of the Whole is to facilitate discussion by	
relaxing some rules.	relaxing some rules.	
b) The Vice-Chair of Senate (or, in the absence of the	TEIANITY SUITE TUES.	
Vice-Chair, a member of Senate designated by the	b) The Vice-Chair of Senate (or, in the absence of the	
Executive Committee) is the Chair of the Committee of the	Vice-Chair, a member of Senate designated by the	
Whole.	Executive Committee) is the Chair of the Committee of the	
	Whole.	
c) Proceedings of the Committee of the Whole are		
concluded by a non-debatable motion "to rise and report."	c) Proceedings of the Committee of the Whole are	
The presiding officer then reports to the Chair on the	concluded by a non-debatable motion "to rise and report."	
outcome of the proceedings.	The presiding officer then reports to the Chair on the	
	outcome of the proceedings.	
d) Normal rules apply to proceedings in Committee of		
the Whole with the following exceptions:	d) Normal rules apply to proceedings in Committee of	
	the Whole with the following exceptions:	
i. motions do not require a seconder;		
ii. Senators are not limited in the numbers of times	i. motions do not require a seconder;	
they may speak to a particular issue under consideration.	ii. Senators are not limited in the numbers of times	
	they may speak to a particular issue under consideration.	
10. Audio and Visual Recording of Proceedings		
	10. Audio and Visual Recording of Proceedings	Note: Although it was understood
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No audio or visual recordings of Senate meetings are permitted except with the agreement of the Chair, who shall announce the presence of persons authorized to make such recordings.	No audio or visual recordings of Senate meetings are permitted except with the agreement of the Chair, who shall announce the presence of persons authorized to make such recordings.	during the special meetings held in March 2015 that the use of smart phones to record meetings (and the posting of audio and video on social media) was comprehended by this clause, it was agreed that the Committee would take up the question of social media. Professor Lawrence has deeded her thoughts.
11. Transaction of Business by Electronic Communications	11. Transaction of Business by Electronic Communications	
a) In exceptional circumstances, the Executive Committee may authorize the transaction of Senate business by electronic communications. This may include the transmittal of reports or the conducting of votes on Senate business.	a) In exceptional circumstances, the Executive Committee may authorize the transaction of Senate business by electronic communications. This may include the transmittal of reports or the conducting of votes on Senate business. The Executive Committee will provide a rationale for its authorizations.	The new language stipulates an obligation on the part of the Executive Committee.
b) For the purpose of requesting a special meeting of Senate, individual petitioners may send an electronic communication in lieu of signing a petition.	b) For the purpose of requesting a special meeting of Senate, individual petitioners may send an electronic communication in lieu of signing a petition.	
 c) Senate committees may transact business by means of electronic communications. [Amended October 26, 2006] 	 c) Senate committees may transact business by means of electronic communications. [Amended October 26, 2006] 	
12. Senate Documentation	12. Senate Documentation	
a) Documents shall only be distributed at Senate meetings with the approval of Senate Executive, the Chair of Senate or the Secretary of Senate.	a) Documents shall only be distributed at Senate meetings with the approval of Senate Executive, the Chair of Senate or the Secretary of Senate.	
b) All formal actions and decisions by Senate and its standing committees shall be recorded in minutes. The minutes of Senate and Senate committees are maintained in the University Secretariat, and documentation is available for examination with the exception of material that is identified as confidential. [October 26, 2006]	b) All formal actions and decisions by Senate and its standing committees shall be recorded in minutes. The minutes of Senate and Senate committees are maintained in the University Secretariat, and documentation is available for examination with the exception of material that is identified as confidential. [October 26, 2006]	
c) The agenda and minutes for each meeting of	c) The agenda and minutes for each meeting of	

Senate shall be sent to the Secretary of each Faculty Council. [September 28, 1967]	Senate shall be sent to the Secretary of each Faculty Council. [September 28, 1967]	
d) A synopsis of the actions taken at each meeting shall be made available to Faculty Councils and published in the daily bulletin or other campus media.	 A synopsis of the actions taken at each meeting shall be made available to Faculty Councils and published in the daily bulletin or other campus media. 	
e) Minutes of each Senate meeting shall be posted on the University Secretariat Website.	e) Minutes of each Senate meeting shall be posted on the University Secretariat Website.	
f) A summary of the actions of the Board of Governors shall be made available to Senate Executive regularly for distribution to Senate.	f) A summary of the actions of the Board of Governors shall be made available to Senate Executive regularly for distribution to Senate. A synopsis of each meeting of the Board of Governors shall be provided to Senate.	This is a minor modification which uses the terminology to describe the document provided to Senate and the community.
g) Senate Executive may declare that certain documents are confidential. [September 28, 1967; October 26, 1967; January 23, 1975; September 6, 1966; b) and c) adapted according to practices, June 28, 2001; amended October 26, 2006]	g) Senate Executive may declare that certain documents are confidential. [September 28, 1967; October 26, 1967; January 23, 1975; September 6, 1966; b) and c) adapted according to practices, June 28, 2001; amended October 26, 2006]	
V. DEBATES AND VOTES	V. DEBATES AND VOTES	
1. Participation in Debate by Senators and Non- Senators	1. Participation in Discussion and Debate by Senators and Non-Senators	This change would correct the limiting and confusing language of the current rule.
a) Only Senators may participate in the debate on an issue.	a) Only Senators may participate in the debate on an issue in discussions and debates.	the current rule.
b) On occasion, Senate may wish to hear from persons who are not Senators. The Executive Committee or Chair may extend an invitation to a non-Senator to speak to Senate. Senate itself may, by majority resolution, agree to hear non-Senators on a particular subject for the purpose of adding new information within their expertise.	b) On occasion, Senate may wish to hear from persons who are not Senators. The Executive Committee or Chair may extend an invitation to a non-Senator to speak to Senate. Senate itself may, by majority resolution, agree to hear non-Senators on a particular subject for the purpose of adding new information within their expertise.	
2. Voting	2. Voting	
 a) Only Senators may vote at Senate meetings. Elected and ex officio Senators enjoy the same voting rights. 	 a) Only Senators may vote at Senate b) meetings. Elected and ex officio Senators enjoy the same voting rights. 	

	b) Votes must be cast in person.	
 b) Votes must be cast in person. c) When the Chair is satisfied that the debate on an item has covered a full range of issues, or when a motion to call the question has been approved, the Chair shall call the question. 	c) When the Chair is satisfied that the debate on an item has covered a full range of issues, or when a motion to call the question has been approved, the Chair shall call the question.	
d) When a question has been called, no motion can be made and no other intervention is permitted until the tally is completed and the results announced.	d) When a question has been called, no motion can be made and no other intervention is permitted until the tally is completed and the results announced.	
e) Voting is conducted by a show of name placards, unless Senate has determined in advance another method of registering votes.	e) Unless otherwise specified by the Executive Committee or Senate, Senate has determined in advance another method of registering votes, voting is conducted by a show of name placards,	In practice and precedent the Executive Committee can and does authorize alternative means of voting, but Senate itself retains the ability to determine this as well.
3. Votes by the Chair and Vice-Chair	3. Votes by the Chair and Vice-Chair	
a) The Chair may only vote in order to break a tie.	a) The Chair may only vote in order to break a tie.	
b) The Vice-Chair of Senate may vote on any motion.	b) The Vice-Chair of Senate may vote on any motion.	
4. Abstentions Not Recorded	4. Abstentions Not Recorded	
Senators may choose not to vote. Abstentions are not votes, are not recorded, and are not factored in the tallying of votes (although Senators who are present and who choose not to vote are counted as part of quorum).	Senators may choose not to vote. Abstentions are not votes, are not recorded, and are not factored in the tallying of votes (although Senators who are present and who choose not to vote are counted as part of quorum).	
5. Reconsideration of Business	5. Reconsideration of Business	
When an issue is decided at a meeting of Senate, it may not be considered again during that meeting. Any subsequent consideration must conform to the notice provisions of these rules. [Amended October 26, 2006]	When an issue is decided at a meeting of Senate, it may not be considered again during that meeting. Any subsequent consideration must conform to the notice provisions of these rules. [Amended October 26, 2006]	
VI. CONDUCT OF PROCEEDINGS	VI. CONDUCT OF PROCEEDINGS	
1. Quorum	1. Quorum	
Senate may convene and conduct business only when 20	Senate may convene and conduct business only when 20	

 per cent or more of its membership is present at a regular or special meeting. If, during a duly constituted meeting the Chair observes (independently or at the request of a Senator) that quorum is no longer present, the Chair may adjourn the meeting. [September 24, 1981] 2. Speakers Address the Chair 	 per cent or more of its membership is present at a regular or special meeting. If, during a duly constituted meeting the Chair observes (independently or at the request of a Senator) that quorum is no longer present, the Chair may adjourn the meeting. [September 24, 1981] 2. Speaking Only When Recognized 	This modified language seeks to clarify the intent of the clause and
a) All matters coming before Senate are to be addressed to the Chair who will ensure that Senate's business is conducted in an orderly manner consistent with the principles and procedures outlined in this document.	No one may speak in Senate until they have been recognized by the Chair. 3. Addressing the Chair	separates the key elements. A new clause focuses on the related need for Senators (and others permitted to speak) to limit their remarks to items that are on the
b) No item of business is on the floor of Senate unless it has been recognized by the Chair.	 Remarks must be addressed to the Chair who will ensure that Senate business is conducted in an orderly manner consistent with the principles, rules and procedures in this document. 4. Speaking to Items on the Floor Speakers shall confine their remarks to items that are on 	floor at the time of their interventions. [Subsequent numbering has been altered accordingly.]
 Decorum Decorum is to be observed at all Senate meetings. If a 	 the floor as determined by the Chair. 5. Decorum Decorum is to be observed at all Senate meetings. If a 	
Senator or an observer does not respect the Chair's request to observe decorum, the Chair may require that the Senator(s) or observer(s) leave the meeting. [Amended October 26, 2006]	Senator or an observer does not respect the Chair's request to observe decorum, the Chair may require that the Senator(s) or observer(s) leave the meeting. [Amended October 26, 2006]	
4. Motions and Rationales	6. Motions and Rationales	
All decisions are to be framed in the form of a motion and must be accompanied by a rationale which explains the import of the motion, outlines its intended consequences, and reports on the consultations undertaken in its preparation.	All decisions are to be framed in the form of a motion and must be accompanied by a rationale which explains the import of the motion, outlines its intended consequences, and reports on the consultations undertaken in its preparation.	
5. Types of Motions	7. Types of Motions	
Motions are categorized as follows:	Motions are categorized as follows:	

a) Substantive motions propose that Senate exercise its authority to achieve a specified substantive objective.	a) Substantive motions propose that Senate exercise its authority to achieve a specified substantive objective.	
 b) Statutory motions: Senate determines what matters are statutory in nature. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, these include: 	 b) Statutory motions: Senate determines what matters are statutory in nature. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, these include: 	
i. the establishment of Faculties or other academic units (with the exception of research centres which are established according to the Senate Policy on Organized Research Units)	i. the establishment of Faculties or other academic units (with the exception of research centres which are established according to the Senate Policy on Organized Research Units)	
ii. the establishment of Faculty Councils;	ii. the establishment of Faculty Councils;	
iii. the establishment of degrees;	iii. the establishment of degrees;	
iv. the establishment or dissolution of a Committee of Senate	iv. the establishment or dissolution of a Committee of Senate	
v. changes in Senate and committee rules	v. al changes in Senate and committee rules including those related to membership.	Change agreed to after the Senate meeting of January 2016. Since all
c) Procedural motions relate only to process and not to substance (e.g. adjournment, referral, etc.).	c) Procedural motions relate only to process and not to substance (e.g. adjournment, referral, etc.).	rules are considered statutory in nature, the designation [Statutory Rule] has been deleted throughout
 d) Hortative motions express Senate's opinion on matters lying outside its jurisdiction [Amended October 26, 2006] 	 d) Hortative motions express Senate's opinion on matters lying outside its jurisdiction [Amended October 26, 2006] 	the document.
6. Notice of Motions	8. Notice of Motions	
 a) Substantive and hortative motions intended for Senate's consideration at its regular monthly meetings or special meeting of Senate must be submitted to the Executive Committee for consideration at its regular monthly meeting, which is normally held in the two b)	a) Substantive and hortative motions intended for Senate's consideration t its regular monthly meetings or special meeting of Senate must be submitted to the Executive Committee for consideration at its regular monthly meeting, which is normally held in the two weeks prior to regular meetings of Senate.	
 d) No notice is required for a procedural motion. [Amended October 26, 2006] Z Determining That Matiens Are in Order. 	d) No notice is required for a procedural motion. [Amended October 26, 2006]	
7. Determining That Motions Are in Order	9. Determining That Motions Are in Order	

a)	The Chair, with the advice of the Executive	
Commit	tee, is responsible for determining if motions	a) The Chair, with the advice of the Executive
	ed for Senate's consideration in advance of regular	Committee, is responsible for determining if motions
	ial meetings by committees, Councils, Senators and	submitted for Senate's consideration in advance of regular
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others a	are in order.	or special meetings by committees, Councils, Senators and
		others are in order.
b)	All motions circulated with the agenda are deemed	
to be in	order.	b) All motions circulated with the agenda are deemed
		to be in order.
c)	All rulings that a motion is out of order will be	
	d to Senate by the Chair together with a rationale for	c) All rulings that a motion is out of order will be
		c) All rulings that a motion is out of order will be
the rulir	ng. Any such ruling is subject to challenge.	reported to Senate by the Chair together with a rationale for
		the ruling. Any such ruling is subject to challenge.
d)	Substantive and hortative motions for which notice	
has not	been given must be delivered to the Chair in writing	d) Substantive and hortative motions for which notice
	termination whether or not a motion is in order.	has not been given must be delivered to the Chair in writing
		for a determination whether or not a motion is in order.
2)	No motion or other intervention is in order when a	
e)	No motion or other intervention is in order when a	
vote is i	n progress.	e) No motion or other intervention is in order when a
		vote is in progress.
8.	Motions That Are Debatable	
	-	8. Motions That Are Debatable
The foll	owing motions are debatable:	
	owing motions are debalable.	The following motions are dehatable:
-)	and a tank in an atlance in the Provident for the second	The following motions are debatable:
a)	substantive motions, including statutory motions;	
		a) substantive motions, including statutory motions;
b)	hortative motions;	
-		b) hortative motions;
c)	amendments to substantive, hortative and statutory	
motions	•	c) amendments to substantive, hortative and statutory
motiona	·,	
N		motions;
d)	sub-amendments to amendments, as above;	
		d) sub-amendments to amendments, as above;
e)	referral (debate is limited to the issues raised by	
,	(see 15, a below);	e) referral (debate is limited to the issues raised by
	(/,/,	referral (see 15, a below);
f)	changes to the order of the agenda;	
f)	changes to the order of the agenda,	f) show we to the ender of the energies
		f) changes to the order of the agenda;
g)	rescinding previous actions;	
		g) rescinding previous actions;
h)	limitations on the duration of a debate or on the	
		h) limitations on the duration of a debate or on the
	of time senators may speak.	length of time senators may speak.

9. Debating a Motion		
a) Constara may analy to any debatable motion but	9. Debating a Motion	
a) Senators may speak to any debatable motion but may speak only once to each such motion and for a	a) Senators may speak to any debatable motion but	
maximum of 7 minutes. Exceptions are as follows:	may speak only once to each such motion and for a	
i. the mover of a motion is entitled to speak first and	maximum of 7 minutes. Exceptions are as follows:	
last;	i. the mover of a motion is entitled to speak first and last;	
ii. the mover, or an expert designated by the mover,		
may respond to questions as necessary or clarify material issues.	ii. the mover, or an expert designated by the mover, may respond to questions as necessary or clarify material issues.	
b) The Chair may rule out of order any remarks which		
are not relevant to the issue before Senate.	b) The Chair may rule out of order any remarks which are not relevant to the issue before Senate.	
10. Dividing a Motion	10. Dividing (or "Severing") a Motion	Senate's rules and procedures
a) If a motion raises more than one issue for decision,	To. Dividing (of Sevening) a Motion	generally make use of Canadian
the Chair may, with the agreement of the mover and	a) If a motion raises more than one issue for decision,	parliamentary usages, but it can be
seconder, divide the motion in a manner which will help Senate deal effectively with the issues.	the Chair may, with the agreement of the mover and seconder, divide the motion in a manner which will help Senate deal effectively with the issues.	helpful to provide alternative terminology.
b) A motion may also be divided by means of a		
procedural motion to do so.	b) A motion may also be divided by means of a procedural motion to do so.	
c) A motion to divide shall take precedence over the		
substantive or hortative motion under debate.	c) A motion to divide shall take precedence over the substantive or hortative motion under debate.	
d) There is no debate on a motion to divide.		
11. Amendments	d) There is no debate on a motion to divide.	
	11. Amendments	
a) An amendment to a substantive or hortative motion	a) An amandmant to a substantive or bartative motion	
may be moved without notice during debate on the main motion.	a) An amendment to a substantive or hortative motion may be moved without notice during debate on the main motion.	
b) Normally the mover of an amendment is required to		
provide a written version of the amendment to the Chair.	b) Normally the mover of an amendment is required to provide a written version of the amendment to the Chair.	
c) If a motion to amend is seconded and recognized		
by the Chair to be in order, discussion will be limited to the	c) If a motion to amend is seconded and recognized	
issues raised by the amendment until the amendment is	by the Chair to be in order, discussion will be limited to the	

resolved.	issues raised by the amendment until the amendment is	
	resolved.	
d) Only one amendment to a motion may be on the		
floor at one time.	d) Only one amendment to a motion may be on the	
	floor at one time.	
e) Each amendment must be resolved before another		
amendment or the main motion may be considered.	e) Each amendment must be resolved before another	
	amendment or the main motion may be considered.	
12. Scope of Amendments		
	12. Scope of Amendments	
a) An amendment is designed to alter the main motion		
without substantially changing its intent and shall be strictly	a) An amendment is designed to alter the main motion	
relevant to the business under consideration.	without substantially changing its intent and shall be strictly	
	relevant to the business under consideration.	
b) The Chair shall rule out of order any amendment		
which would negate or substantially alter the main motion.	b) The Chair shall rule out of order any amendment	
	which would negate or substantially alter the main motion.	
13. Sub-Amendments		
	13. Sub-Amendments	
a) A sub-amendment is intended to amend an		
amendment under consideration.	a) A sub-amendment is intended to amend an	
	amendment under consideration.	
b) A sub-amendment can only be moved when an		
amendment is on the floor.	b) A sub-amendment can only be moved when an	
	amendment is on the floor.	
c) A sub-amendment is out of order if it has the effect		
of negating the amendment or altering the amendment to	c) A sub-amendment is out of order if it has the effect	
such an extent that it significantly frustrates the purpose of	of negating the amendment or altering the amendment to	
the amendment.	such an extent that it significantly frustrates the purpose of	
	the amendment.	
d) If a sub-amendment is seconded and recognized		
by the Chair to be in order, discussion will be limited to the	d) If a sub-amendment is seconded and recognized	
issues raised by the sub-amendment until such time as the	by the Chair to be in order, discussion will be limited to the	
sub-amendment is resolved.	issues raised by the sub-amendment until such time as the	
	sub-amendment is resolved.	
e) Only one sub-amendment may be on the floor at		
one time and must be resolved before another may be	e) Only one sub-amendment may be on the floor at	
considered.	one time and must be resolved before another may be	
	considered.	
f) Sub-amendments must be resolved before the		
amendment can be resolved.	f) Sub-amendments must be resolved before the	
	amendment can be resolved.	
14. "Friendly" Amendments		

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a) During the course of debate, the mover and seconder may receive suggestions from the floor about the wording of motions. If the mover and seconder of a motion agree that the intent of the motion would be clarified by a change of wording, they may, with the agreement of the Chair, alter the wording of the motion accordingly.	 14. "Friendly" Amendments a) During the course of debate, the mover and seconder may receive suggestions from the floor about the wording of motions. If the mover and seconder of a motion agree that the intent of the motion would be clarified by a change of wording, they may, with the agreement of the Chair alter the wording of the motion accordingly. 	Note: It is generally understood that a friendly amendment, if accepted, does not require a vote. Senate may however, vote for a reversion to the original wording.
b) Any proposed change to the wording which significantly alters the intent of a motion is not a friendly amendment and may be ruled as such by the Chair.	b) Any proposed change to the wording which significantly alters the intent of a motion is not a friendly amendment and may be ruled as such by the Chair.	
15. Resolving a Motion, Amendment, or Sub- Amendment	15. Resolving a Motion, Amendment, or Sub- Amendment	
a) Motions, amendments, or sub-amendments which are moved, seconded, and recognized by the Chair to be on the floor of Senate for discussion must be brought to a vote unless debate is ended by an intervening and overriding procedural motion.	a) Motions, amendments, or sub-amendments which are moved, seconded, and recognized by the Chair to be on the floor of Senate for discussion must be brought to a vote unless debate is ended by an intervening and overriding procedural motion.	
b) A motion may be withdrawn by the mover and seconder if no Senator objects. If there is an objection the question of withdrawal may be put to a vote.	b) A motion may be withdrawn by the mover and seconder if no Senator objects. If there is an objection the question of withdrawal may be put to a vote.	
c) The Chair may request that the mover and seconder withdraw a motion if it appears that further debate is not in the best interests of Senate.	c) The Chair may request that the mover and seconder withdraw a motion if it appears that further debate is not in the best interests of Senate.	
16. Procedural Motion	16. Procedural Motions	Modified for consistency.
a) Most procedural motions are not debatable.	a) Most procedural motions are not debatable	
b) If a non-debatable motion has been moved, the Chair may invite the mover of the motion to explain in brief the reason for the motion.	 a) Most procedural motions are not debatable. b) If a non-debatable motion has been moved, the Chair may invite the mover of the motion to explain in brief the reason for the motion. 	
c) Procedural motions require a mover and seconder, and take precedence over the substantive or hortative motions which are under at the time they are moved.	c) Procedural motions require a mover and seconder, and take precedence over the substantive or hortative motions which are under at the time they are moved.	
d) Motion to Refer (Debatable in part)		

	d) Motion to Refer (Debatable in part)	
i) Although procedural in nature, a motion to refer has		
substantive elements that are debatable. In particular, a	i) Although procedural in nature, a motion to refer has	
motion to refer must identify the person or body to whom	substantive elements that are debatable. In particular, a	
the reference is made.	motion to refer must identify the person or body to whom	
	the reference is made.	
ii) A motion to refer is in order when a substantive or		
hortative motion is on the floor of Senate for discussion. A	ii) A motion to refer is in order when a substantive or	
motion to refer is not in order when an amendment or sub-	hortative motion is on the floor of Senate for discussion. A	
amendment is on the floor.	motion to refer is not in order when an amendment or sub-	
	amendment is on the floor.	
iii) When a motion to refer is on the floor, only issues		
relating to the nature of the proposed referral may be	iii) When a motion to refer is on the floor, only issues	
debated (for example, to whom the reference is made, why	relating to the nature of the proposed referral may be	
the reference is being made, when a report back should be	debated (for example, to whom the reference is made, why	
expected, etc).	the reference is being made, when a report back should be	
	expected, etc).	
iv) If a motion to refer is defeated, no further motion to		
refer may be considered with respect to the specific	iv) If a motion to refer is defeated, no further motion to	
substantive or hortative motion being considered unless, in	refer may be considered with respect to the specific	
the opinion of the Chair, significant new information has	substantive or hortative motion being considered unless, in	
been provided in the debate which would warrant the re-	the opinion of the Chair, significant new information has	
consideration of a referral.	been provided in the debate which would warrant the re-	
	consideration of a referral.	
e) Motion to Put the Question		
	e) Motion to Put the Question	
i) A motion to put the question may be considered		
when a main motion, amendment, sub-amendment, or a	i) A motion to put the question may be considered	
debatable procedural motion is on the floor.	when a main motion, amendment, sub-amendment, or a	
	debatable procedural motion is on the floor.	
ii) If a motion to put the question is resolved in the		
affirmative, the Chair invites the mover of the main motion	ii) If a motion to put the question is resolved in the	
to make concluding remarks and then puts the question to	affirmative, the Chair invites the mover of the main motion	
Senate.	to make concluding remarks and then puts the question to	
	Senate.	
iii) If a motion to put the question is resolved in the		
negative, debate on the main motion resumes.	iii) If a motion to put the question is resolved in the	
	negative, debate on the main motion resumes.	
iv) No further motion to put the question can be	nogativo, dobato on the main motion resulties.	
considered regarding the same motion unless, in the	iv) No further motion to put the question can be	
opinion of the Chair, the nature of the subsequent debate	considered regarding the same motion unless, in the	
warrants the consideration of such motion.	opinion of the Chair, the nature of the subsequent debate	
	warrants the consideration of such motion.	

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f) Motion to Introduce Business for Which Due Notice Has	6) Matian to Introduce Dusiness for Which Due Nation Has	
Not Been Given	f) Motion to Introduce Business for Which Due Notice Has Not Been Given	
i) A motion to consider matters for which due notice	Not been Given	
/	i) A motion to consider mottors for which due notice	
has not been given shall be considered under the agenda item of "Other Business."	i) A motion to consider matters for which due notice has not been given shall be considered under the agenda	
	item of "Other Business."	
ii) A motion to introduce new business without due		
notice is in order only if a written copy of the motion is filed	ii) A motion to introduce new business without due	This language is consistent with
with the Chair by the beginning of the meeting so that the	notice is in order only if a written copy of the motion is filed	other procedures and avoids
Chair may determine if the motion is in order and may	with the Chair before the meeting commences so that the	confusion over the "beginning" of
inform Senators at the beginning of the meeting as to the	Chair may determine if the motion is in order and may	a meeting.
business to be considered at the meeting.	inform Senators at the beginning of the meeting as to the	a meeting.
	business to be considered at the meeting.	
iii) The consideration of new business for which due		
notice has not been given can only proceed with the	iii) The consideration of new business for which due	
consent of two-thirds of Senators present and voting.	notice has not been given can only proceed with the	
	consent of two-thirds of Senators present and voting.	
g) Motion to Move into Committee of the Whole		
	g) Motion to Move into Committee of the Whole	
i) A motion to move into Committee of the Whole is in		
order when any substantive or hortative motion,	i) A motion to move into Committee of the Whole is in	
amendment, or sub-amendment is under consideration.	order when any substantive or hortative motion,	
	amendment, or sub-amendment is under consideration.	
h) Motion to Adjourn Debate		
	h) Motion to Adjourn Debate	
i) A motion to adjourn debate is always in order.		
	i) A motion to adjourn debate is always in order.	
ii) If a motion to adjourn debate is carried, Senate		
shall move immediately to the next item of business.	ii) If a motion to adjourn debate is carried, Senate	
iii) The Chair with the advice of the Everythys	shall move immediately to the next item of business.	
iii) The Chair, with the advice of the Executive Committee shall determine when and how the debate will	iii) The Chair, with the advice of the Executive	
be resumed.	Committee shall determine when and how the debate will	
	be resumed.	
i) Motion to Adjourn the Meeting		
	i) Motion to Adjourn the Meeting	
i) A motion to adjourn the meeting is always in order.	·, ···································	
,	i) A motion to adjourn the meeting is always in order.	
ii) If a motion to adjourn the meeting is carried, the	,	
meeting ends immediately following the vote.	ii) If a motion to adjourn the meeting is carried, the	
	meeting ends immediately following the vote.	
j) Motion to Extend and Further Extend the Meeting		

	j) Motion to Extend and Further Extend the Meeting	
i) A motion to ovtand a maating is always in order	j) Motion to Extend and Fulther Extend the Meeting	
i) A motion to extend a meeting is always in order.	i) A motion to ovtand a masting is always in order	
ii) A motion to outond a masting shall aposity the new	i) A motion to extend a meeting is always in order.	
ii) A motion to extend a meeting shall specify the new	ii) A motion to outond a mosting shall aposity the new	
time by which the meeting will conclude.	ii) A motion to extend a meeting shall specify the new	
(iii) If a mation to automate measure is defected, why	time by which the meeting will conclude.	
iii) If a motion to extend a meeting is defeated, only	(iii) If a mation to extend a month is in defected, such	
one other such motion to extend may be	iii) If a motion to extend a meeting is defeated, only	
considered subsequently.	one other such motion to extend may be	
	considered subsequently.	
iv) A meeting can only be extended with the consent of		
two-thirds of Senators present and voting.	iv) A meeting can only be extended with the consent of	
	two-thirds of Senators present and voting.	
k) Motion to Permit a Non-Senator to Address Senate		
	k) Motion to Permit a Non-Senator to Address Senate	
i) A motion to permit a non-senator to address		"o () · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Senate is always in order.	i) A motion to permit a non-Senator to address	"Senator" is elsewhere and always
	Senate is always in order.	capitalized.
ii) While there is no debate on such a motion, the		
mover shall provide a brief rationale.	ii) While there is no debate on such a motion, the	
	mover shall provide a brief rationale.	
17. Other Procedural Motions		
	17. Other Procedural Motions	
The Chair may recognize other procedural motions (such		
as a motion to recess for a specified time) in circumstances	The Chair may recognize other procedural motions (such	
where the implementation of such a motion would assist	as a motion to recess for a specified time) in circumstances	
Senate in conducting its business effectively.	where the implementation of such a motion would assist	
	Senate in conducting its business effectively.	
18. Precedence of Motions		
	18. Precedence of Motions	
The Chair shall give precedence to motions as follows (from		
highest precedence to lowest):	The Chair shall give precedence to motions as follows (from	
	highest precedence to lowest):	
a) to adjourn the meeting;		
b) to adjourn debate (or "table" a motion);	a) to adjourn the meeting;	
c) to put the question;	b) to adjourn debate (or "table" a motion);	
d) to move in camera;	c) to put the question;	
e) to move into Committee of the Whole;	d) to move in camera;	
f) to permit a non-member of Senate to speak;	e) to move into Committee of the Whole;	
g) to refer;	f) to permit a non-member of Senate to speak;	
h) to amend an amendment;	g) to refer;	
i) to amend.	h) to amend an amendment;	
	i) to amend.	

19. Points of Order and Privilege		
	19. Points of Order and Privilege	
a) Points of Order		
	a) Points of Order	
i) Points of order are made when it is alleged that	i) Deinte of order are mode when it is alloged that	
there has been a breach of the rules of Senate.	i) Points of order are made when it is alleged that there has been a breach of the rules of Senate.	
ii) Senators have a right and responsibility to rise on a		
point of order if they believe that the proceedings of a	ii) Senators have a right and responsibility to rise on a	
meeting are not consistent with these rules.	point of order if they believe that the proceedings of a	
	meeting are not consistent with these rules.	
iii) A point of order should be made as soon as the		
alleged irregularity occurs and should not be dealt with if other matters have intervened.	iii) A point of order should be made as soon as the alleged irregularity occurs and should not be dealt with if	
טווכו וומונפוט וומיד ווונפו יפוופט.	other matters have intervened.	
iv) The Chair shall rule on a point of order without		
debate. (Amended October 26, 2006]	iv) The Chair shall rule on a point of order without	
	debate. (Amended October 26, 2006]	
b) Points of Personal Privilege		
i) Senators may raise a point of privilege based on	b) Points of Personal Privilege	
the belief that the integrity of Senate or a Senator has been	i) Senators may raise a point of privilege based on	
compromised.	the belief that the integrity of Senate or a Senator has been	
	compromised.	
ii) If the Chair agrees that a privilege has been		
violated, the Chair's ruling may include remedies such as	ii) If the Chair agrees that a privilege has been	
requesting an apology or the withdrawal of a remark, correction of a document, or other actions consistent with	violated, the Chair's ruling may include remedies such as requesting an apology or the withdrawal of a remark,	
the principles of Senate membership.	correction of a document, or other actions consistent with	
	the principles of Senate membership.	
iii) The Chair shall rule without debate. However, the		
Chair may seek the advice of Senators, and may also	iii) The Chair shall rule without debate. However, the	
consult with the Executive Committee for disposition at a	Chair may seek the advice of Senators, and may also	
later time. In any event a ruling shall be made no later than the next regular meeting of Senate. [Amended October 26,	consult with the Executive Committee for disposition at a later time. In any event a ruling shall be made no later than	
2006	the next regular meeting of Senate. [Amended October 26,	
	2006	
20. Challenges to the Rulings of the Chair		
	20. Challenges to the Rulings of the Chair	
a) When a ruling by the Chair is challenged on a	a) When a ruling by the Chair is shallowed as a	
motion from the floor, the Chair shall seek a seconder for the motion.	a) When a ruling by the Chair is challenged on a motion from the floor, the Chair shall seek a seconder for	
	the motion.	

b) If there is no seconder, the challenge shall be declared to have failed.	b) If there is no seconder, the challenge shall be declared to have failed.	
c) If the motion to challenge is seconded, the Chair shall surrender the chair to the Vice-Chair (or in the absence of the Vice-Chair, to the Secretary).	c) If the motion to challenge is seconded, the Chair shall surrender the chair to the Vice-Chair (or in the absence of the Vice-Chair, to the Secretary).	
d) On assuming the chair the Vice-Chair shall invite the mover of the motion to provide the reason(s) for the challenge. The Vice-Chair shall then invite the Chair to explain the reason(s) for the ruling.	d) On assuming the chair the Vice-Chair shall invite the mover of the motion to provide the reason(s) for the challenge. The Vice-Chair shall then invite the Chair to	This language aims to clarify the procedure and in doing so precludes for the need for e).
e) There is no debate on a challenge.	explain the reason(s) for the ruling. No other Senator may speak to a challenge.	
f) At the conclusion of a vote involving a challenge, the Chair shall resume the chair.	e) At the conclusion of a vote involving a challenge, ehe Chair shall resume the chair.	
21. Approval of Statutes	21. Approval of Statutes	
Statutes shall be approved by the following procedure:	Statutes shall be approved by the following procedure:	
a) a notice of motion, whereby	a) a notice of motion, whereby	
 Senate is informed at a regular meeting of a pending a statutory motion; 	 Senate is informed at a regular meeting of a pending a statutory motion; 	
ii) the notice of motion is accompanied by detailed documentation;	ii) the notice of motion is accompanied by detailed documentation;	
iii) when a notice of motion is on the agenda, Senators may comment on substantive matters within the normal rules applying to consideration of information items.	iii) when a notice of motion is on the agenda, Senators may comment on substantive matters within the normal rules applying to consideration of information items.	
b) debate by Senate of the motion at a subsequent meeting. [Amended October 26, 2006]	b) debate by Senate of the motion at a subsequent meeting. [Amended October 26, 2006]	
22. Items for Information	22. Items for Information	
Information published in the agenda for a meeting of Senate or any matter distributed at a meeting of Senate, or transmitted to Senators by other means, is deemed to have been received by Senate.	Information published in the agenda for a meeting of Senate or any matter distributed at a meeting of Senate, or transmitted to Senators by other means, is deemed to have been received by Senate.	

23. Senate Policies and Associated Procedures (Definition and Authority)	23. Senate Policies and Associated Procedures (Definition and Authority)	
a) Policies are subject to the approval of Senate, and may not be enacted or amended without Senate's approval.	a) Policies are subject to the approval of Senate, and may not be enacted or amended without Senate's approval.	
b) Procedures for the implementation of policies do not normally require Senate approval, but shall be reported to Senate for information when they are adopted or amended. [Amended October 26, 2006]	b) Procedures for the implementation of policies do not normally require Senate approval, but shall be reported to Senate for information when they are adopted or amended. [Amended October 26, 2006]	
VII. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES	VII. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES	
1. Establishment of Standing Committees	1. Establishment of Standing Committees	
Senate may establish standing committees to assist it in pursuing its mandate. Senate rules apply to standing committees with the following exceptions:	Senate may establish standing committees to assist it in pursuing its mandate. Senate rules apply to standing committees with the following exceptions:	
a) Consensus: Committees shall strive for consensus within the principles laid out in the preamble to these rules and procedures.	MOVE TO COMMITTEE SECTION	These rules apply to all committees, not just special ones.
b) Quorum: Quorum for Senate committees is a majority of the voting members. Committees may establish a lower quorum for meetings to be held between 31 May and 30 September.	2. Establishment of Special Committees Senate's rules on committees apply to special committees	
2. Establishment of Oracial Committees	with the following exceptions:	
2. Establishment of Special Committees	a) The mandate of a special committee must be	
Senate's rules on committees apply to special committees with the following exceptions:	articulated in the motion establishing such a committee. The committee is restricted to that mandate unless Senate decides otherwise.	
 a) The mandate of a special committee must be articulated in the motion establishing such a committee. The committee is restricted to that mandate unless Senate decides otherwise. 	b) A special committee may exist no longer than two years, unless Senate extends its life for a specified period of time, not exceeding two years.	

 b) A special committee may exist no longer than two years, unless Senate extends its life for a specified period of time, not exceeding two years. c) When a special committee is appointed by resolution of the Senate, the mover of such resolution shall, unless otherwise specified by Senate, be a member and the first convener of the committee, and is charged with calling the first meeting of the committee within one week of the Senate meeting at which the special committee was established. (Statutory Rule) 3. Faculty Councils a) Each Faculty of York University shall have a council which is responsible for academic governance in areas 	 c) When a special committee is appointed by resolution of the Senate, the mover of such resolution shall, unless otherwise specified by Senate, be a member and the first convener of the committee, and is charged with calling the first meeting of the committee within one week of the Senate meeting at which the special committee was established. (Statutory Rule) 3. Faculty Councils a) Each Faculty of York University shall have a council which is responsible for academic governance in areas defined by Senate. 	
 defined by Senate. b) Faculty Councils are established by Senate by means of statutes. c) Rules governing the membership of Faculty Councils are formally approved by Senate, and membership lists are approved by the Executive Committee of Senate on an annual basis. d) Changes to the rules and procedures of Councils shall be reviewed by the Executive Committee to ensure their compliance with recognized principles and practices. e) Faculty Councils may cite Senate's rules and procedures for disposition of an issue not adequately addressed in their own rules and procedures. 	 b) Faculty Councils are established by Senate by means of statutes. c) Rules governing the membership of Faculty Councils are formally approved by Senate, and membership lists are approved by the Executive Committee of Senate on an annual basis. d) Changes to the rules and procedures of Councils shall be reviewed by the Executive Committee to ensure their compliance with recognized principles and practices. e) Faculty Councils may cite Senate's rules and procedures for disposition of an issue not adequately addressed in their own rules and procedures. 	

 SECTION B MEMBERSHIP OF SENATE 1. Membership specified by the York Act i) the Chancellor; ii) the Chair of the Board; iii) the President; iv) the Principal of Glendon [Principal du Glendon]; v) the Dean of each Faculty; vi) the University Librarian; vii) the Vice-Presidents of the University; viii) the Chairs of Faculty departments, divisions and ix) schools [minimum of 23 chairs [March 26,2009]; x) no fewer than two and not more than four members of the Board; and xi) such numbers of other persons as the Senate may determine, provided that full-time members of the teaching staff shall always constitute a majority of the members of the Senate. 2. Membership of Senate as Determined by Resolution of 	 SECTION B MEMBERSHIP OF SENATE 1. Membership specified by the York Act i) the Chancellor; ii) the Chair of the Board; iii) the President; iv) the Principal of Glendon [Principal du Glendon]; v) the Dean of each Faculty; vi) the University Librarian; vii) the Vice-Presidents of the University; viii) the Chairs of Faculty departments, divisions and schools [minimum of 21 chairs]; ix) no fewer than two and not more than four members of the Board; and x) such numbers of other persons as the Senate may determine, provided that full-time members of the teaching staff shall always constitute a majority of the members of the Senate. 2. Membership of Senate as Determined by Resolution of Senate For the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017 the membership of Senate shall be a maximum of 167 as follows: 	Corrected and updated to reflect the creation of Lassonde and Senate rules changes.
a) Members Defined by the York Act (20-22 but estimated at 20)	a) Members Defined by the York Act (20-22 but estimated at 20)	
Chancellor (1) President (1) Vice-Presidents (4) Deans and Principal (11) University Librarian (1) Two-to-four members of Board (2)	Chancellor (1) President (1) Vice-Presidents (4) Deans and Principal (11) University Librarian (1) Two-to-four members of Board (2)	
b) Faculty Members Elected by Councils (95)	b) Faculty Members Elected by Councils (95)	

Education (4) Environmental Studies (4) Fine Arts (8, minimum 2 chairs) Glendon (8 minimum of 1 chairs) Health (10, minimum of 2 chairs) Lassonde School of Engineering (TBD) Liberal Arts and Professional Studies (40, minimum of 13 chairs; minimum of 2 contract faculty) Osgoode (4) Science and Engineering (11, minimum 5 chairs)* Schulich (6)	Education (4) Environmental Studies (4) Fine Arts (8, minimum 2 chairs) Glendon (8 minimum of 1 chairs) Health (10, minimum of 2 chairs) Lassonde School of Engineering Liberal Arts and Professional Studies (40, minimum of 13 chairs; minimum of 2 contract faculty) Osgoode (4) Science and Engineering (11, minimum 5 chairs)* Schulich (6)
*These numbers will be adjusted in 2013 to reflect the creation of the Lassonde School of Engineering as of July 1, 2012.	*These numbers will be adjusted in 2013 to reflect the creation of the Lassonde School of Engineering as of July 1, 2012.
c) Librarians elected by Librarians (2)	c) Librarians elected by Librarians (2)
d) Students Elected by Faculty Constituencies and Designated by Student Associations (26)	 d) Students Elected by Faculty Constituencies and Designated by Student Associations (26)
Six students from Liberal Arts and Professional Studies (6) Two students from each other Faculty (18) YFS (1) GSA (1)	Six students from Liberal Arts and Professional Studies (6) Two students from each other Faculty (18) YFS (1) GSA (1)
e) Other Members (13)	e) Other Members (13)
Chair of Senate (1) Vice-Chair of Senate (1) Secretary of Senate (1) Academic Colleague (1) President of YUFA (1) plus a designated alternate YUSA Member (1) plus a designated alternate Member of CUPE 3903 (1) plus a designated alternate Alumni (2) College Masters (1) Registrar (1) Vice-Provost Academic (1) Vice-Provost Students (1)	Chair of Senate (1) Vice-Chair of Senate (1) Secretary of Senate (1) Academic Colleague (1) President of YUFA (1) (plus a designated alternate) YUSA Member (1) plus a designated alternate Member of CUPE 3903 (1) plus a designated alternate Alumni (2) College Masters (1) Registrar (1) Vice-Provost Academic (1) Vice-Provost Students (1)
f) Chairs of Committees (Estimated 5)	f) Chairs of Committees (Estimated 5)

[March 26, 2009; June 28, 2012]	[March 26, 2009; June 25, 2015] 3. Periodic Review and Publication of Senate Membership Reviews	Updated to reflect amendment. Changes approved in 2013 require that this information be incorporated into the rules.
	a) Senate Executive shall review changes in structures, faculty complements and student enrolments every two years and seats will be reallocated per rule a) ii as necessary.	
	b) Membership rules shall be published in section B of Senate's Rules, Procedures and Guidelines t. [June 28, 2013]	
	4. Substitutes and Proxies Not Permitted	One of the most frequently asked questions involves substitutes or
 2. Designated Alternate Senators and Voting a) Designated alternates may cast a vote only in the absence of the regular member. b) Designated alternates must report to the Chair and 	Unless provision has been made for a designated alternate, elected and ex officio members shall not be entitled to designate a substitute or to vote by proxy.5. Designated Alternate Senators and Voting	proxies. The term "designated alternate" applies only to the YUFA, YUSA and CUPE 3903 members. These clauses have been reordered and renumbered to provide greater clarity.
Secretary prior to a meeting at which they will attend and vote in the absence of the regular member.	a) The three designated alternates defined in 1 e) above may cast a vote only in the absence of the regular member.	
c) Unless provision has been made for a designated alternate, elected and ex officio members shall not be entitled to designate a substitute.	b) The three designated alternates defined in 1 e) above must report to the Chair and Secretary prior to a meeting at which they will attend and vote in the absence of the regular member.	
3. Eligibility for the Election of Faculty Members	6. Eligibility for the Election of Faculty Members	
All full-time and contract faculty members are eligible for membership on Senate. [October 27, 1994]	All full-time and contract faculty members are eligible for membership on Senate. [October 27, 1994]	
4. Term of Office for Elected Senators	7. Term of Office for Elected Senators	
a) Faculty members elected by Council shall serve for a period of three-years.	a) Faculty members elected by Council shall serve for a period of three-years.	
b) Students elected shall serve for a period of two years.	b) Students elected shall serve for a period of two years.	The word "elected" is not necessary in this instance.

c) Contract faculty members elected to Senate by Councils shall serve for a period of one year.	 c) Contract faculty members elected to Senate by Councils shall serve for a period of one year. 	Students are elected by a variety of groups.
5. Failure to Attend Meetings and Resignation	8. Failure to Attend Meetings and Resignation	
a) Elected Senators are deemed to have resigned upon accepting a full-time teaching position in another Faculty of York or at another University.	a) Elected Senators are deemed to have resigned upon accepting a full-time teaching position in another Faculty of York or at another University.	
b) Senate Executive shall inform Faculty Councils of the names of elected Senators who miss three consecutive meetings. Councils may declare the seats vacant and elect replacements for Senators who have missed three consecutive meetings. [June 24, 2004]	b) Senate Executive shall inform Faculty Councils of the names of elected Senators who miss three consecutive meetings. Councils may declare the seats vacant and elect replacements for Senators who have missed three consecutive meetings. [June 24, 2004]	
6. Senate's Nominees to the Board of Governors	9. Senate's Nominees to the Board of Governors	
Senate's nominees to the Board of Governors shall be elected from among the members of Senate. [June 2004]	Senate's nominees to the Board of Governors shall be elected from among the members of Senate. [June 2004]	
7. Election of Student Senators	10. Election of Student Senators	
Faculty Councils are responsible for reporting the results of elections of student representatives to Senate. [Amended October 26, 2006]	Faculty Councils are responsible for reporting the results of elections of student representatives to Senate. [Amended October 26, 2006]	
8. Student Membership on Senate Committees	11. Student Membership on Senate Committees	
a) The student Senator caucus is composed of student Senators. The purpose of the caucus is to nominate students for membership on Senate committees and to provide a forum in which student Senators can discuss issues coming before Senate and its committees.	a) The student Senator caucus is composed of student Senators. The purpose of the caucus is to nominate students for membership on Senate committees and to provide a forum in which student Senators can discuss issues coming before Senate and its committees.	
b) The chair of the caucus shall be a member of Senate Executive. The Caucus shall nominate its Chair for the following year by June 30 in order that the Chair can serve on the Executive Committee during those months when summer authority is vested in the Executive Committee. The Chair shall be selected by the Caucus and quorum for this election shall be at least 25% of student senators.	b) The Chair of the caucus shall be a member of Senate Executive. The Caucus shall nominate its Chair for the following year by June 30 in order that the Chair can serve on the Executive Committee during those months when summer authority is vested in the Executive Committee. The Chair shall be selected by the Caucus and quorum for this election shall be at least 25% of student senators.	

 c) Unless otherwise specified by Senate, students shall be members of all Senate committees. Normally there shall be two student members on each committee. d) Normally, there shall be one graduate student and one undergraduate student on Senate Executive. Only student Senators shall be eligible to serve on Senate Executive. 	 c) Unless otherwise specified by Senate, students shall be members of all Senate committees. Normally there shall be two student members on each committee. d) Normally, there shall be one graduate student and one undergraduate student on Senate Executive. Only student Senators shall be eligible to serve on Senate Executive. 	
e) Students who are not Senators may be nominated by the Caucus for membership on Senate committees (except Senate Executive) if student Senators are unable to accept nomination. In seeking to identify prospective nominees, the Caucus shall canvass the Graduate Student Association, York Federation of Students, and Faculty Councils for expressions of interest, and in doing so shall provide sufficient time for such organizations to notify their membership and for prospective nominees to communicate their interest. [March 22, 2007; supersedes all previous rules approved by Senate]	e) Students who are not Senators may be nominated by the Caucus for membership on Senate committees (except Senate Executive) if student Senators are unable to accept nomination. In seeking to identify prospective nominees, the Caucus shall canvass the Graduate Student Association, York Federation of Students, and Faculty Councils for expressions of interest, and in doing so shall provide sufficient time for such organizations to notify their membership and for prospective nominees to communicate their interest. [March 22, 2007; supersedes all previous rules approved by Senate]	
9. Term of Office for Senators	12. Term of Office for Senators	
a) Apart from those Senators defined by the York University Act (1965) as ex officio members, all Senators shall serve for a three-year term (re-election being possible), one-third retiring each year, except for student Senators whose terms of office shall be for two years from July 1 and for representatives of contract faculty whose term of office shall be one year from July 1 following his/her election. [November 22, 1973; February 28, 1980; February 27, 1992]	a) Apart from those Senators defined by the York University Act (1965) as ex officio members, all Senators shall serve for a three-year term (re-election being possible), one-third retiring each year, except for student Senators whose terms of office shall be for two years from July 1 and for representatives of contract faculty whose term of office shall be one year from July 1 following his/her election. [November 22, 1973; February 28, 1980; February 27, 1992]	
 b) The term of office for the Academic Colleague shall be two years. [November 28, 1974]. At the request of the Chair of Senate, a member of the Executive Committee may attend meetings in the absence of the Colleague. [Amended October 26, 2006] c) Senators holding an elected seat who wish to retain their Senate seat while on leave for a term or more shall so inform the Secretary of the University, in writing, by April I of 35 	c) Senators holding an elected seat who wish to retain their Senate seat while on leave for a term or more shall so inform the Secretary of the University, in writing, by April I of the academic year preceding the one in which leave is to be	Moved to new 14, below. Differs from other clauses and requires elaboration

the academic year preceding the one in which leave is to be taken. Senators on leave who do not inform the Secretary	taken. Senators on leave who do not inform the Secretary of their intentions shall be deemed to have resigned their	
of their intentions shall be deemed to have resigned their	seats. [November 22, 1973]	
seats. [November 22, 1973]		
	d) In the case of Senators opting to retain their seats	
d) In the case of Senators opting to retain their seats while on leave, a temporary replacement is elected by the	while on leave, a temporary replacement is elected by the appropriate body to serve for the period of the leave.	
appropriate body to serve for the period of the leave.	appropriate body to serve for the period of the leave.	
	e) Senators on leave in the third year of their term are	
e) Senators on leave in the third year of their term are	automatically deemed to have resigned their seats.	
automatically deemed to have resigned their seats. [November 22, 1973]	[November 22, 1973]	
	f) Students who cease to be enrolled in the Faculty	
f) Students who cease to be enrolled in the Faculty	that elected them also cease to be Senators or members of	
that elected them also cease to be Senators or members of	a Senate committee. Students may continue to serve to the	
a Senate committee. Students may continue to serve to the end of June if they graduate at the Spring Convocation.	end of June if they graduate at the Spring Convocation. [February 27, 1992]	
[February 27, 1992]		
[g) Elected Senators automatically vacate their elected	
g) Elected Senators automatically vacate their elected	seats when they accept an ex officio seat on Senate.	
seats when they accept an ex officio seat on Senate.	13. Student Membership on the Councils of Faculties and	
10. Student Membership on the Councils of Faculties and	Colleges	
Colleges		
	The number of student members of each of the Councils of	
The number of student members of each of the Councils of Faculties and Colleges is determined by the respective	Faculties and Colleges is determined by the respective Councils on the understanding that:	
Councils on the understanding:		
	a)the number of student members on Councils of	
a) That the number of student members on Councils	undergraduate Faculties and Colleges not exceed fifteen	
of undergraduate Faculties and Colleges not exceed fifteen percent (15 per cent) of the total voting membership of each	percent (15 per cent) of the total voting membership of each of those Councils.	
of those Councils.	b) the number of student members on Councils of graduate	
	Faculties and Colleges (including the Osgoode Hall Law	
b) That the number of student members on Councils	School) not exceed twenty-five percent (25 per cent) of the	
of graduate Faculties and Colleges (including the Osgoode Hall Law School) not exceed twenty-five percent (25 per	total voting membership of each of those Councils. [January 1969]	
cent) of the total voting membership of each of those		
Councils. [January 1969]	14. Term of Office for the Academic Colleague	
	The term of office for the Apademia Colleggue shall be two	The clarification in bold provides
	The term of office for the Academic Colleague shall be two years. [November 28, 1974]. At the request of the Chair of	clarity in response to a frequently asked question about the status of
	Senate, a member of the Executive Committee may attend	colleagues.
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meetings in the absence of the Colleague. [Amended October 26, 2006] Colleagues relinquish their Faculty Council-elected seats upon election. September 2015]	
SECTION C RULES GOVERNING SENATE COMMITTEES	
 1. Composition of Senate Committees a) The number of faculty member seats on 	Senate style requires use of the term "faculty member."
at seven, except in those cases where Senate decides otherwise.	term faculty member.
2. Election to Senate Committees	
that do not have seats designated by Faculty. Faculty Councils nominate candidates for membership on Senate committees that have seats designated for particular Faculties. Faculty Council nominees are not members of committees unless and until the Executive Committee has approved their membership.	Correction of typographical error.
Members of Senate Committees that do not have seats	
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a) Committee membership is not confined to Senators.	
b) No individual shall serve simultaneously on two Senate committees with the exception of ex officio members	
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members.	Senate Committee on Tenure and Promotions and the	
	Tenure and Promotions Appeals Committees. Candidates	
c) Only tenured faculty members may serve on the	for election to these two committees shall have previously	
Senate Committee on Tenure and Promotions and the	served on a unit or Faculty tenure and promotions	
Tenure and Promotions Appeals Committees. Candidates	committee. [April 22, 2010]	
for election to these two committees shall have previously	,	
served on a unit or Faculty tenure and promotions	5. Nomination Process	
committee. [April 22, 2010]		
	a) Senate Executive is responsible for developing and	
5. Nomination Process		
5. Nomination Process	recommending to Senate slates of candidates for election	
	to Senate committees that are not designated for Faculty	
a) Senate Executive is responsible for developing and	membership.	
recommending to Senate slates of candidates for election		
to Senate committees that are not designated for Faculty	b) Additional candidates not included in the	
membership.	recommendations made by the Executive Committee may	
	be nominated by Senators at Senate meetings. Such	
b) Additional candidates not included in the	candidates must be eligible for membership, willing to serve	
recommendations made by the Executive Committee may	and available at the standing meeting time of the	
be nominated by Senators at Senate meetings. Such	committee. The names of individuals nominated from the	The term "from the floor" is
candidates must be eligible for membership, willing to serve	floor- in this manner shall be communicated to the	somewhat misleading given the
and available at the standing meeting time of the	Secretary of Senate in advance of the meeting in order to	process described.
committee. The names of individuals nominated from the	determine if prospective additional candidates are eligible.	•
floor shall be communicated to the Secretary of Senate in		
advance of the meeting in order to determine if prospective	c) The Executive Committee shall establish and	
additional candidates are eligible.	publish guidelines and procedures for nominations. [April	Guidelines and procedures are in
	22, 2010] [See Section F, below]	the concluding section.
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publish guidelines and procedures for nominations. [April	6. Non-Succession	
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22, 2010]	Normally, no algorid foculty member shall serve for more	
C. New Ownerstein	Normally, no elected faculty member shall serve for more	
6. Non-Succession	than three consecutive years on a Senate committee or	
	legislated sub-committee. Senate Executive shall provide a	
Normally, no elected faculty member shall serve for more	rationale for any recommendation that would have the	
than three consecutive years on a Senate committee or	effect of extending the membership of an individual beyond	
legislated sub-committee. Senate Executive shall provide a	three years. [April 22, 2010]	
rationale for any recommendation that would have the		
effect of extending the membership of an individual beyond	7. Conflict of Interest	
three years. [April 22, 2010]		
	No individual shall serve on a Senate committee or	
7. Conflict of Interest	legislated sub-committee at a time when they will be the	
	subject of adjudication (e.g., for an award, tenure or	
No individual shall serve on a Senate committee or	promotion) by that Senate committee. [April 22, 2010]	

legislated sub-committee at a time when they will be the		
subject of adjudication (eg, for an award, tenure or	8. Timing of Elections	
promotion) by that Senate committee. [April 22, 2010]		
	Normally the process of electing members of all Senate	The end date is not realistic, but
8. Timing of Elections	committees shall conclude by July 1. [September 2015]	committees should be populated
		since it is not uncommon for
Committee memberships are established by election in the	9. Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Committees	business to arise in the summer
Winter term. [May 7, 1971]		months.
	Each Senate committee and legislated sub-committee	
9. Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Committees	elects a Chair and Vice-Chair from among its members.	
	Vice-Chairs are responsible for assisting Chairs in the	
Each Senate committee and legislated sub-committee	performance of their duties and assuming the duties of	
elects a Chair and Vice-Chair from among its members.	Chair in the following year. [May 22, 1986] (Statutory Rule)	
Vice-Chairs are responsible for assisting Chairs in the		
performance of their duties and assuming the duties of	10. General Rules Regarding Committee Membership	
Chair in the following year. [May 22, 1986] (Statutory Rule)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	a) The term of service for members on Senate	
10. General Rules Regarding Committee Membership	Standing Committee is three years, except where the	
	Senate, at the request of a particular committee, shall set a	
a) The term of service for members on Senate	longer or shorter term. Students and contract faculty	
Standing Committee is three years, except where the	members serve one-year terms. [February 27, 1992]	
Senate, at the request of a particular committee, shall set a		
longer or shorter term. Students and contract faculty	b) Members of standing committees going on leave	
members serve one-year terms. [February 27, 1992]	will be deemed to have resigned their seats.	
b) Members of standing committees going on leave	c) Senators and members of committees must resign	
will be deemed to have resigned their seats.	their seats if and when they register in another Faculty, end	
	their employment at the University or change their Faculty	
c) Senators and members of committees must resign	appointment. Students who graduate at the Spring	
their seats if and when they register in another Faculty, end	convocation may continue to serve until the end of June.	
their employment at the University or change their Faculty		
appointment. Students who graduate at the Spring	d) Committee members who are absent from three	
convocation may continue to serve until the end of June.	consecutive meetings shall be deemed to have resigned	
	their seats except in cases of illness or other weighty	
d) Committee members who are absent from three	grounds.	
consecutive meetings shall be deemed to have resigned	9.00.00	
their seats except in cases of illness or other weighty	e) Only individuals who are Senators or who have	
grounds.	been elected to Senate are eligible to be elected by Faculty	
<u> </u>	Councils as members of the Executive Committee of	
e) Only individuals who are Senators or who have	Senate. Members of the Executive Committee elected by	
been elected to Senate are eligible to be elected by Faculty	Faculty Councils shall only serve on the Committee	
Councils as members of the Executive Committee of	coincident with their membership on Senate. The Faculty of	
Senate. Members of the Executive Committee elected by	Graduate Studies member of the Executive Committee	
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Faculty Councils shall only serve on the Committee	shall be elected by the FGS Council from among Senators	
coincident with their membership on Senate. The Faculty of	who hold appointments to that Faculty. [June 24, 2004;	
Graduate Studies member of the Executive Committee	March 26, 2009]	
shall be elected by the FGS Council from among Senators		
who hold appointments to that Faculty. [June 24, 2004;	11. Ex Officio Membership on Senate Committees	
March 26, 2009]		
	a) The Chair of Senate is an ex officio non-voting	
11. Ex Officio Membership on Senate Committees	member of all Senate Committees with the exception of the	
	Executive Committee (over which the Chair presides), the	
a) The Chair of Senate is an ex officio non-voting	Committee on Academic Standards, Curriculum and	
member of all Senate Committees with the exception of the	Pedagogy, and the Academic Policy, Planning and	
Executive Committee (over which the Chair presides), the	Research Committee, where the Chair of Senate is an ex	
Committee on Academic Standards, Curriculum and	officio voting member. [May 22, 1986; Amended March 26,	
Pedagogy, and the Academic Policy, Planning and	2009] (Statutory Rule)	
Research Committee, where the Chair of Senate is an ex		
officio voting member. [May 22, 1986; Amended March 26,	b) The President of the University is an ex officio non-	
2009] (Statutory Rule)	voting member of all Senate Committees with the exception	
	of Executive, Academic Policy, Planning and Research, and	
b) The President of the University is an ex officio non-	Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy where the	
voting member of all Senate Committees with the exception	President is a voting member. [Amended May 28, 2009]	
of Executive, Academic Policy, Planning and Research, and	(Statutory Rule)	
Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy where the		
President is a voting member. [Amended May 28, 2009]	c) The Secretary of Senate is an ex officio non-voting	
(Statutory Rule)	member of all Senate Committees. [February 22, 1979]	
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member of all Senate Committees. [February 22, 1979]	d) Unless otherwise directed by Senate, ex officio	
(Statutory Rule)	members of all other standing committees shall have the	
	right to vote on their particular committees. [February 22,	
d) Unless otherwise directed by Senate, ex officio	1979] (Statutory Rule)	
members of all other standing committees shall have the		
right to vote on their particular committees. [February 22,	e) Ex officio members of Senate committees may	Vice-Presidents and other ex
1979] (Statutory Rule)	designate alternates to represent them. They may also	officio members often ask that
	request the attendance and participation of others to assist	others attend a meeting on their
e) In cases where committees are required to function	in committee deliberations. [September 2015]	behalf. This change is conductive
outside the normal lecture session, alternate ex officio	- · · ·	to continuity and stipulates the
members for those committees should be available to		terms under which alternates
ensure that the affairs of the committees are considered	12. Ratification of Student Membership on Senate	participate. ASCP's Senate-
and acted upon. The membership of such alternates is to	Committees	approved mandate makes explicit
be approved by the Senate Executive Committee.		provision for "delegates," and this
[Amended October 26, 2006]	Student Senators nominate student representatives on	can be extended to other
	Senate committees. The names of the student Senators	committees (except Appeals, T&P
12. Ratification of Student Membership on Senate	and the Committee assignments are presented to the	and T&P appeals).
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Committees	Executive Committee for approval. Vacancies are to be	
	filled as soon as possible. [May 24, 1979; amended	
Student senators nominate student representatives on	October 26, 2006]	
Senate committees. The names of the student Senators		
and the Committee assignments are presented to the	13. Ex Officio Membership on Faculty and College Councils	
Executive Committee for approval. Vacancies are to be		
filled as soon as possible. [May 24, 1979; amended	The President, the Vice-President Academic and Provost,	
October 26, 2006]	and the Chair and Secretary of Senate are ex officio members of all Faculty and College Councils. [May 22,	
13. Ex Officio Membership on Faculty and College Councils	1986]	
The President, the Vice-President Academic and Provost, and the Chair and Secretary of Senate are ex officio	14. Voting and Consensus	This clause has been moved from Section B; subsequent pagination
members of all Faculty and College Councils. [May 22, 1986]	Committees shall strive for consensus within the principles laid out in the preamble to these rules and procedures.	has been adjusted accordingly.
		The rule is statutory but the title of
	15. Senate Communications and Documentation	the clause is not. Communications can be oral in nature but it may not be necessary to revise the text.
14. Senate Committee Documentation	a) Any written communication on any subject coming	
	properly within the cognizance of any standing committee is	
a) Any written communication on any subject coming	referred to the Chair of that committee by the Secretary	
properly within the cognizance of any standing committee is	acting under the direction of the Chair of Senate or the	
referred to the Chair of that committee by the Secretary	committee. (Statutory Rule)	
acting under the direction of the Chair of Senate or the	b) Minutes of all committees are kept in the Senate	
committee. (Statutory Rule)	Secretariat and are available for inspection by members of	
	the University.	
b) Minutes of all committees are kept in the Senate		
Secretariat and are available for inspection by members of the University.	16. Committee Reporting Requirements and Expectations	
	c) Each committee is required to report to Senate at	
15. Committee Reporting Requirements and Expectations	least once each year and each legislated sub-committee is	
	required to report to Senate through its parent Committee at	
c) Each committee is required to report to Senate at	least once each year. [May 7, 1971; amended January 25,	
least once each year and each legislated sub-committee is	1979]	
required to report to Senate through its parent Committee at		
least once each year. [May 7, 1971; amended January 25, 1979]	d) Committees must report to Senate Executive when policy initiatives are underway,	"Frequent" is ill defined as is the phrase "areas of policy initiation."
		The revised text aims at a simpler
d) Frequent reports must be made to the Executive	e) Respecting the flow of information from the	declaration of onus.
Committee and to Senate in areas of policy initiation.	administration to Committees of Senate, the committees	
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e) Respecting the flow of information from the administration to Committees of Senate, the committees shall have a right to expect quick and accurate support from the administration and shall have a right to expect prompt assistance from the President in cases where that support is delayed.

16. Attendance of Non-Members at Committee Meetings

Meetings of Senate Committees at which questions of policy are to be considered are open to any member of Senate, who may attend but shall not take part in the proceedings unless invited to do so by 2/3 of the members of the committee present. [May 22, 1975] (Statutory Rule)

17. In Camera Meetings

Meetings at which matters of policy initiation and policy implementation are considered shall be open to the University community. Committees may move in camera to consider matters where confidentiality must be observed. [November 22, 2001] shall have a right to expect quick and accurate support from the administration and shall have a right to expect prompt assistance from the President in cases where that support is delayed.

17. Sessions Held in Camera / Attendance of Non-Members

- a) Meetings of committees are open to Senators.
- b) Senators may only speak if invited to do so by the Chair or with the consent of 2/3 of the members present and voting. Committees shall not unreasonably deny requests by Senators to attend and participate.
- c) When, in exceptional circumstances, all or part of a committee meeting is held in camera at the direction of the Chair or with the consent of a majority of members either in advance or present and voting, a rationale must be provided and recorded in the minutes.
- d) Communications from Senators and other members of the community intended for committees shall be facilitated and brought to the attention of the Chair by the Secretary.
- e) Meetings of adjudicative committees at which individual cases are to be decided – including panels -- shall be held in camera. Only members may attend and participate at such meetings unless explicit provision is made for candidates, applicants, appellants and the like to do so.
- f) Other members of the University community may request to attend meetings. Chairs may invite individuals to attend, and shall make known all such requests to the members of committees. Other members of the community

The highlighted changes were agreed to by Senate Executive based on input from Senators received at and following the Senate meeting of January 2016. Rules about attendance by nonmembers at meetings and in camera meetings are confusing and even contradictory. Terminology is rather loose ("questions" of policy, policy "initiation" and "implementation"). The distinction between members of Senate and the community are blurred. This clause has been rewritten with a view toward imparting greater clarity, eliminating confusing criteria, and differentiating between adjudicative and policy committees. It covers subcommittees and, in d), places a burden on Committees. Senate committees are not normally open to the "community" at the other universities.

	may only speak at meetings if invited to so by	
	the Chair or with the consent of 2/3 of the	
	members present and voting.	
	g) Only members may attend meetings of sub-	
	committees unless a non-member has been	
	invited to do so.	
	18. Meeting Quorum	
	Unless otherwise specified, quorum for Senate committees	
	and sub-committees shall consist of a majority of the	
18. Quorum for Committee Meetings	directly elected faculty members. Committees may	
To: Quorum for Committee Meetings	establish a lower quorum for meetings to be held between	Correction of an infelicity. (It may
Unless otherwise specified, quorum for Senate committees	31 May and 30 September. [May 22, 1986; amended	be appropriate to be more s
and sub-committees shall consist of a majority of the	October 26, 2006]	
directly elected faculty members. Committees may	19. Relationship of Senate Committees to Faculty Councils	
establish a lower quorum for meetings to be held between	and Presidential Committees	
31 May and 30 September. [May 22, 1986; amended		
October 26, 2006]	a) Each committee shall review the range of matters	
19. Relationship of Senate Committees to Faculty Councils	within its jurisdiction in order to determine whether or not	
and Presidential Committees	some of those matters could best be dealt with by	
	delegating the authority to act on them to the Faculty	
a) Each committee shall review the range of matters	Councils.	
within its jurisdiction in order to determine whether or not	b) Each committee should seek to improve its liaison	
some of those matters could best be dealt with by	with its Faculty Council counterparts if such exists.	
delegating the authority to act on them to the Faculty Councils.		
	c) Whenever a Presidential Committee is established,	
b) Each committee should seek to improve its liaison	it should be asked to report to the appropriate Senate	
with its Faculty Council counterparts if such exists.	Committee. [Amended October 26, 2006]	
	20. List of Standing Committees	
c) Whenever a Presidential Committee is established,		
it should be asked to report to the appropriate Senate Committee. [Amended October 26, 2006]	Academic Policy, Planning and Research	
	Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy	
20. List of Standing Committees	Appeals	
	Awards	
Academic Policy, Planning and Research	Executive Tenure and Promotions	
Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy	Tenure and Promotions Appeals	
Appeals		

Awards Executive	[List amended May 28, 2009]	
Tenure and Promotions Tenure and Promotions Appeals		
[List amended May 28, 2009]	SECTION D	
	STANDING COMMITTEES OF SENATE	
SECTION D		
	ACADEMIC POLICY, PLANNING AND RESEARCH	
STANDING COMMITTEES OF SENATE	I. COMPOSITION	
ACADEMIC POLICY, PLANNING AND RESEARCH	The Committee is composed of the following members:	
I. COMPOSITION	a) Voting Members	
The Committee is composed of the following members:	One faculty member elected by each Faculty One Librarian elected by Librarians	
a) Voting Members	Two student Senators, normally one undergraduate and one graduate	
One faculty member elected by each Faculty	Chair of Senate	
One Librarian elected by Librarians Two student Senators, normally one undergraduate	President Vice-President Academic and Provost	
and one graduate	Vice-President Research and Innovation	
Chair of Senate President	Academic Colleague Member Elected by the Council of Research Directors	
Vice-President Academic and Provost		
Vice-President Research and Innovation Academic Colleague	b) Non-Voting Members	
Member Elected by the Council of Research Directors	Secretary of Senate	
b) Non-Voting Members	Observer from the York University Faculty Association	
	II. MISSION	
Secretary of Senate	On babalf of Sanata, and in a contact whereby condemia	
Observer from the York University Faculty Association	On behalf of Senate, and in a context whereby academic planning encompasses research, other scholarly	
II. MISSION	endeavours, and teaching, the Committee shall be	
On behalf of Senate, and in a context whereby academic	responsible for consultations and recommendations to Senate on academic plans and major academic policies,	
planning encompasses research, other scholarly	and advise the President on the allocation of academic	
endeavours, and teaching, the Committee shall be	resources.	

responsible for consultations and recommendations to Senate on academic plans and major academic policies, and advise the President on the allocation of academic	III. TERMS OF REFERENCE	
	Taking a broad, principled approach to planning, the Committee shall be responsible for	
III. TERMS OF REFERENCE	a) recommendations to Senate (after which the Board	
Taking a broad, principled approach to planning, the Committee shall be responsible for	of Governors) for the approval of new academic units (including Faculties, departments / schools units, research centres, and the like), and for the disestablishment or	
of Governors) for the approval of new academic units (including Faculties, departments / schools units, research	transfer of such units; and concurrences with recommendations to establish endowed chairs;	
transfer of such units; and concurrences with recommendations to establish endowed chairs;	 reports to Senate on reviews of existing Faculties, units, centres and programs, (including but not necessarily limited to Faculty plans, Undergraduate Program Reviews, Graduate Program Appraisals, Faculty Plans, Organized 	
b) reports to Senate on reviews of existing Faculties, units, centres and programs, (including but not necessarily	Research Units, computer plans, non-degree studies reports) and recommendations for changes arising from such reports;	
reports) and recommendations for changes arising from	 recommendations to Senate on the University Academic Plan, together with monitoring and reporting on the implementation of UAP objectives; 	
Academic Plan, together with monitoring and reporting on the implementation of UAP objectives;	 the articulation of research, teaching and programmatic principles for academic planning and criteria for assessment of major initiatives, including shifts of academic resources; 	
for assessment of major initiatives, including shifts of	e) the establishment of academic priorities guiding the deployment of academic resources, and advice and recommendations on the allocation of academic resources;	
deployment of academic resources, and advice and	f) in consultation with others (including Senate committees), the coordination of program and policy development;	
committees), the coordination of program and policy development;	g) the receipt of annual and periodic reports from the President and its ex officio vice-presidents, its sub- committees (including those required by external bodies), and others (including the Vice-President Finance and Administration), and the facilitation of Senate consideration	
g) the receipt of annual and periodic reports from the	Automotion, and the racination of Schale consideration	4

President and its ex officio vice-presidents, its sub-	through the transmittal of relevant reports.	
committees (including those required by external bodies),		
and others (including the Vice-President Finance and	To perform its functions the Committee shall have access to	
Administration), and the facilitation of Senate consideration	all relevant information through the Vice-President	
through the transmittal of relevant reports.	Academic and Provost and its Technical Sub-Committee.	
	Standing agenda items shall include research, planning,	
To perform its functions the Committee shall have access to	major academic policies and initiatives, and other such	
all relevant information through the Vice-President	matters of ongoing attention the Committee deems relevant	
Academic and Provost and its Technical Sub-Committee.	to its mandate. The Committee shall serve as Senate's	
Standing agenda items shall include research, planning,	liaison with academic administrators and other collegial	
major academic policies and initiatives, and other such	bodies dealing with matters related to its mandate.	
matters of ongoing attention the Committee deems relevant	C C	
to its mandate. The Committee shall serve as Senate's	IV. MEETINGS AND SUB-COMMITTEES	
liaison with academic administrators and other collegial		
bodies dealing with matters related to its mandate.	Normally the Committee shall meet twice monthly. It shall	
5	establish a Technical Sub-Committee and other such sub-	
IV. MEETINGS AND SUB-COMMITTEES	committees and working groups as necessary to conduct its	
	business in a timely, focused and effective manner.	
Normally the Committee shall meet twice monthly. It shall	Cyclical reviews shall be overseen by the Joint Sub-	
establish a Technical Sub-Committee and other such sub-	Committee on Quality Assurance of the Academic	
committees and working groups as necessary to conduct its	Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy Committee and the	
business in a timely, focused and effective manner.	Academic Policy, Planning, Research Committee.	
Cyclical reviews shall be overseen by the Joint Sub-		
Committee on Quality Assurance of the Academic	[May 28, 2009]	
Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy Committee and the		
Academic Policy, Planning, Research Committee.		
	ACADEMIC STANDARDS, CURRICULUM AND	
[May 28, 2009]	PEDAGOGY	
	I. COMPOSITION	
ACADEMIC STANDARDS, CURRICULUM AND		
PEDAGOGY	The Committee is composed of the following members:	
I. COMPOSITION	a) Voting Members	
The Committee is composed of the following members:	Seven faculty members elected by Senate	
	One Librarian elected by Senate	
a) Voting Members	Two student Senators, normally one undergraduate and	
	one graduate	
Seven faculty members elected by Senate	One contract faculty member elected by Senate	
One Librarian elected by Senate	Chair of Senate	
Two student Senators, normally one undergraduate and	Vice-President Academic and Provost (or delegate)	
one graduate	Vice-Provost Students	

One contract faculty member elected by Senate	University Librarian (or delegate)	
Chair of Senate	University Registrar (or delegate)	
Vice-President Academic and Provost (or delegate)	President	The President is a voting member.
Vice-Provost Students		
University Librarian (or delegate)	b) Non-Voting Members	
University Registrar (or delegate)	,	
	Associate Vice-President Teaching and Learning	
b) Non-Voting Members	Secretary of Senate	
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Associate Vice-President Teaching and Learning	II. MISSION	
Secretary of Senate		
President	On behalf of Senate, and in a context where pedagogy,	
rioddont	curriculum, and academic standards are critical aspects of	
II. MISSION	the University's mission, and equity and the connection	
	between research and pedagogy are fundamental	
On behalf of Senate, and in a context where pedagogy,	principles, the Committee shall be responsible for the	
curriculum, and academic standards are critical aspects of	development and oversight of curriculum, academic	
the University's mission, and equity and the connection	standards and pedagogy.	
between research and pedagogy are fundamental		
principles, the Committee shall be responsible for the		
development and oversight of curriculum, academic	III. TERMS OF REFERENCE	
standards and pedagogy.		
	The Committee shall be responsible for formulating policy	
III. TERMS OF REFERENCE	and making recommendations to Senate on matters	
	concerning the planning, implementation, and evolution of	
The Committee shall be responsible for formulating policy	the academic standards, regulations, curriculum and	
and making recommendations to Senate on matters	programs of Senate and Faculties, including research-	
concerning the planning, implementation, and evolution of	informed pedagogy. Without limiting the generality of the	
the academic standards, regulations, curriculum and	foregoing the Committee shall formulate and make	
programs of Senate and Faculties, including research-	recommendations to Senate on the following:	
informed pedagogy. Without limiting the generality of the		
foregoing the Committee shall formulate and make	a) standards for admission (including the kinds of	
recommendations to Senate on the following:	admission credentials and qualification), evaluation,	
	examination, continuation and graduation;	
a) standards for admission (including the kinds of		
admission credentials and qualification), evaluation,	b) policies bearing on the advancement of teaching	
examination, continuation and graduation;	and learning in the context of the University's mission and	
	planning objectives, including those related to evaluation;	
b) policies bearing on the advancement of teaching		
and learning in the context of the University's mission and	c) sessional dates;	
planning objectives, including those related to evaluation;	· · ·	
	d) Senate and Faculty regulations;	
c) sessional dates;	,	

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	a) the establishment disectablishment and
d) Senate and Faculty regulations;	e) the establishment, disestablishment and modification of degrees, programs, diplomas and certificates;
e) the establishment, disestablishment and modification of degrees, programs, diplomas and certificates;	 f) Senate policies and oversight of processes related to Undergraduate Program Reviews and Graduate Program Appraisals;
 f) Senate policies and oversight of processes related to Undergraduate Program Reviews and Graduate Program Appraisals; 	g) the form, modes, times and locations of course and program delivery.
 g) the form, modes, times and locations of course and program delivery. The Committee shall also be responsible for coordination, oversight, accountability and reporting of such aspects of the above that are delegated to Faculties or units. The Committee shall ensure as Senete's lision with eccedemic 	The Committee shall also be responsible for coordination, oversight, accountability and reporting of such aspects of the above that are delegated to Faculties or units. The Committee shall serve as Senate's liaison with academic administrators and other collegial bodies dealing with matters related to its mandate.
Committee shall serve as Senate's liaison with academic administrators and other collegial bodies dealing with matters related to its mandate.	Standing agenda items shall include academic standards, curriculum, regulations, teaching and learning, the forms, modes, times and location of program delivery and other
Standing agenda items shall include academic standards, curriculum, regulations, teaching and learning, the forms, modes, times and location of program delivery and other	such matters of ongoing attention the Committee deems relevant to its mandate.
such matters of ongoing attention the Committee deems relevant to its mandate.	IV. MEETINGS AND SUB-COMMITTEES
IV. MEETINGS AND SUB-COMMITTEES	The Committee shall normally meet once each month, and shall establish such sub-committees and working groups as necessary to conduct its business in a timely, focused and
The Committee shall normally meet once each month, and shall establish such sub-committees and working groups as necessary to conduct its business in a timely, focused and effective manner. Cyclical reviews shall be overseen by the Joint Sub-Committee on Quality Assurance of the	effective manner. Cyclical reviews shall be overseen by the Joint Sub-Committee on Quality Assurance of the Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy Committee and the Academic Policy, Planning, Research Committee.
Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy Committee and the Academic Policy, Planning, Research Committee.	[May 28, 2009]
[May 28, 2009]	APPEALS
APPEALS	I. COMPOSITION
I. COMPOSITION	The Committee is composed of the following members:

	a) Matin a Manakana	
	a) Voting Members	
The Committee is composed of the following members:		
	Eight faculty members elected by Senate	
a) Voting Members	Three students	
Eight faculty members elected by Senate	b) Non-Voting Members	
Three students		
	Chair of Senate	
b) Non Voting Members	Secretary of Senate	
	President of the University	
Chair of Senate		
	Vice President Academic and Provost	
Secretary of Senate		
President of the University	II. TERMS OF REFERENCE	
Vice President Academic and Provost		
	1. Appeals	
II. TERMS OF REFERENCE	The Senate Appeals Committee is responsible for hearing	
	appeals from members of the University regarding	
1. Appeals	decisions of Faculty Committees in respect of petitions	
···· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	concerning academic regulations, grade re appraisals and	
The Senate Appeals Committee is responsible for hearing	charges of breach of academic honesty.	
appeals from members of the University regarding	charges of breach of academic honesty.	
	2. Procedural Direction	
decisions of Faculty Committees in respect of petitions		
concerning academic regulations, grade re appraisals and		
charges of breach of academic honesty.	The Committee gives direction on procedure to Faculty	
	Councils and those committees of Senate which have	
2. Procedural Direction	appeal functions so that their procedures embody the	
	appropriate standard of	
The Committee gives direction on procedure to Faculty	fairness and natural justice.	
Councils and those committees of Senate which have		
appeal functions so that their procedures embody the	AWARDS	
appropriate standard of		
fairness and natural justice.	I. COMPOSITION	
AWARDS	The Committee is composed of the following members:	
Αννακυο	The Committee is composed of the following members:	
	a) Matin a Manakana	
I. COMPOSITION	a) Voting Members	
The Committee is composed of the following members:	Seven faculty members elected by Senate	
	One Librarian elected by Senate	
a) Voting Members	Two student Senators, normally one undergraduate and	
·	one graduate	
Seven faculty members elected by Senate	President	
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One Librarian elected by Senate	Vice-President Academic and Provost (or delegate)	
Two student Senators, normally one undergraduate and	Vice-Provost Students (or delegate)	
one graduate	Vice-President Research and Innovation (or delegate)	
President	One member designated by the Alumni Association	
Vice-President Academic and Provost (or delegate)		
Vice-Provost Students (or delegate)	h) Non Vating Mamhara	
	b) Non-Voting Members	
Vice-President Research and Innovation (or delegate)	Oh sin af Osmata	
One member designated by the Alumni Association	Chair of Senate	
h) Man Marshan	Secretary of Senate	
b) Non-Voting Members	One member designated by Student Financial Services	
Chair of Senate	II. MISSION	
	II. MISSION	
Secretary of Senate	On babalf of Constants and in contact of the bigh priority	
One member designated by Student Financial Services	On behalf of Senate, and in context of the high priority	
	assigned to promoting, recognizing, and celebrating	
II. MISSION	outstanding achievements in teaching, learning, service and	
	research, the Committee shall be responsible for those	
On behalf of Senate, and in context of the high priority	aspects of awards, prizes and medals under Senate's	
assigned to promoting, recognizing, and celebrating	jurisdiction.	
outstanding achievements in teaching, learning, service and		
research, the Committee shall be responsible for those	III. TERMS OF REFERENCE	
aspects of awards, prizes and medals under Senate's		
jurisdiction.	The Committee shall be responsible for	
III. TERMS OF REFERENCE	a) developing, reviewing and recommending changes	
	to policies, guidelines and criteria for prizes, medals,	
The Committee shall be reenensible for		
The Committee shall be responsible for	awards, scholarships and other academic distinctions that	
a) doveloping reviewing and recommending changes	fall under Senate jurisdiction;	
a) developing, reviewing and recommending changes to policies, guidelines and criteria for prizes, medals,	b) adjudicating awards, or overseeing the adjudication	
awards, scholarships and other academic distinctions that	of awards delegated to other bodies with the requisite	
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fall under Senate jurisdiction;	expertise;	
b) adjudicating awards, or overseeing the adjudication	c) reporting to Senate on the individual recipients of	
of awards delegated to other bodies with the requisite	prestigious academic awards and on the nature, number,	
	purposes and disbursements of such awards;	
expertise;	שמועטשים אוע עוטענופרווביונט טו געטון משמועט,	
c) reporting to Senate on the individual recipients of	d) proposing the creation, elimination or amendment	
prestigious academic awards and on the nature, number,	of awards;	
purposes and disbursements of such awards;	or awards,	
	e) overseeing honorary degrees guidelines on	
d) proposing the creation, elimination or amendment	Senate's behalf (but not the selection of honorary degree	
of awards;	recipients);	
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 e) overseeing honorary degrees guidelines on Senate's behalf (but not the selection of honorary degree recipients); f) advising Senate on awards policies generally and coordinating with other bodies as necessary. IV. MEETINGS The Committee shall meet at least once each term. 	 f) advising Senate on awards policies generally and coordinating with other bodies as necessary. IV. MEETINGS The Committee shall meet at least once each term. [May 28, 2009] 	
[May 28, 2009]	EXECUTIVE I. COMPOSITION	
EXECUTIVE	The Committee is composed of the following members:	
I. COMPOSITION	a) Voting Members	
The Committee is composed of the following members:	One faculty member elected from each Faculty	
a) Voting Members	Two students (normally one undergraduate and one graduate; normally one is the Chair of the Caucus)	
One faculty member elected from each Faculty Two students (normally one undergraduate and one graduate; normally one is the Chair of the Caucus) Chair of Senate Vice Chair of Senate Senators on the Board of Governors	Chair of Senate Vice Chair of Senate Senators on the Board of Governors President b) Non-Voting Members Vice President Academic and Provost	President is a voting member.
b) Non-Voting Members	Secretary of Senate	
President Vice President Academic and Provost Secretary of Senate II. TERMS OF REFERENCE The Executive Committee is the committee responsible for coordinating the work of Senate and its committees, monitoring the organization and structure of Senate and other bodies, ensuring that equity considerations are integrated into the work of Senate and its committees, and	II. TERMS OF REFERENCE The Executive Committee is the committee responsible for coordinating the work of Senate and its committees, monitoring the organization and structure of Senate and other bodies, ensuring that equity considerations are integrated into the work of Senate and its committees, and serving as Senate's liaison with external bodies. The Executive Committee's responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, the following:	

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serving as Senate's liaison with external bodies. The	1. Coordination and Communications	
Executive Committee's responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, the following:	In purpuopee of its responsibilities, the Everytive	
be inflited to, the following.	In pursuance of its responsibilities, the Executive	
1. Coordination and Communications	Committee directs the flow of Senate business to the	
	appropriate committees, administers the process of	
In a supervision of the same and it if the other Experience	nominating members to serve on Senate and its	
In pursuance of its responsibilities, the Executive	committees, sees that committees report on policy matters,	
Committee directs the flow of Senate business to the	and schedules the agenda of Senate to facilitate the	
appropriate committees, administers the process of	consideration of reports and other policy matters. Matters of	
nominating members to serve on Senate and its	a kind that do not raise questions of substance will be	
committees, sees that committees report on policy matters,	examined by the Executive Committee and referred by it to	
and schedules the agenda of Senate to facilitate the	appropriate Senate Committees for decision. All matters	
consideration of reports and other policy matters. Matters of	going to Senate will be directed to the Executive	
a kind that do not raise questions of substance will be	Committee, which may refer them to the appropriate	
examined by the Executive Committee and referred by it to	committees. These committees will then return them to the	
appropriate Senate Committees for decision. All matters	Executive Committee, having pointed out those aspects	
going to Senate will be directed to the Executive	which in their view merit Senate discussion. Senate and the	
Committee, which may refer them to the appropriate	Executive Committee should create special committees to	
committees. These committees will then return them to the	deal with matters of general concern which do not fall within	
Executive Committee, having pointed out those aspects	the accepted area of jurisdiction of an existing committee.	
which in their view merit Senate discussion. Senate and the		
Executive Committee should create special committees to	2. Organization and Structure of Senate and Other Bodies	
deal with matters of general concern which do not fall within		
the accepted area of jurisdiction of an existing committee.	The Executive Committee shall be responsible for	
	monitoring and making recommendations to Senate on all	
2. Organization and Structure of Senate and Other Bodies	matters pertaining to: the organization of Senate and its	
	committees, the organization and function of academic	
The Executive Committee shall be responsible for	governance in the University; Senate's relation both with	
monitoring and making recommendations to Senate on all	other bodies in the University and with bodies external to it.	
matters pertaining to: the organization of Senate and its	The Executive Committee may make recommendations on	
committees, the organization and function of academic	behalf of Senate, and subject to Senate approval, to the	
governance in the University; Senate's relation both with	Administration and the Board on matters related to the	
other bodies in the University and with bodies external to it.	organization and structure of the University. The Committee	
The Executive Committee may make recommendations on	shall seek the advice of appropriate Senate committees	
behalf of Senate, and subject to Senate approval, to the	with regard to matters that touch on their mandates.	
Administration and the Board on matters related to the		
organization and structure of the University. The Committee	3. Equity	
shall seek the advice of appropriate Senate committees		
with regard to matters that touch on their mandates.	The Sub Committee on Equity is responsible for reviewing,	
	recommending revisions to, and proposing and pursuing	
3. Equity	policies in the domain of equity that are within Senate's	
	mandate, either through its own initiative or by coordinating	
The Sub Committee on Equity is responsible for reviewing,	the work of Senate committees. It facilitates the	
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recommending revisions to, and proposing and pursuing policies in the domain of equity that are within Senate's mandate, either through its own initiative or by coordinating the work of Senate committees. It facilitates the consideration of equity matters and serves for Executive as Senate's liaison with other bodies of the University. The Sub Committee reports twice annually to Senate on equity issues and reports to bodies such as the President's Advisory Council on Human Rights. The Sub Committee also ensures that other Senate committees act and report on aspects of their mandates that relate to equity. In discharging its mandate the Sub Committee seeks such advice as is necessary and desirable.

In addition to members from Senate Executive, the membership of Sub-Committee shall include a member from each of Academic Policy, Planning, and Research, and Academic Standards, Curriculum, and Pedagogy. [March 27, 2003; May 28, 2009]

4. Cancellation of Classes

Class and examination schedules are set by the Registrar in accordance with the Senate Policy on Sessional Dates and in consultation with the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Academic Standards.

Classes and examinations are not held on public holidays or at other times as directed by the University Senate, administration, or Board of Governors. Cancellation or postponement at other times shall only be effected by

the Executive Committee of Senate; or i)

ii) the Dean/ Principal of the Faculty concerned, with the agreement of the Chair of Senate

(or designate); or

the Chair of Senate (in emergencies, see below). iii) Except in emergency or exceptional situations as set out below, and subject to Presidential Order or this policy, any cancellation of classes or limitation of academic activity for all or part of a day in any or all Faculties must be approved by Senate prior to the commencement of the term in which the cancellation is required, in order to allow as much time as possible for any necessary adjustments.

consideration of equity matters and serves for Executive as Senate's liaison with other bodies of the University. The Sub Committee reports twice annually to Senate on equity issues and reports to bodies such as the President's Advisory Council on Human Rights. The Sub Committee also ensures that other Senate committees act and report on aspects of their mandates that relate to equity. In discharging its mandate the Sub Committee seeks such advice as is necessary and desirable.

In addition to members from Senate Executive, the membership of Sub-Committee shall include a member from each of Academic Policy, Planning, and Research, and Academic Standards, Curriculum, and Pedagogy. [March 27, 2003; May 28, 2009]

4. Cancellation of Classes

Class and examination schedules are set by the Registrar in accordance with the Senate Policy on Sessional Dates and in consultation with the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Academic Standards.

Classes and examinations are not held on public holidays or at other times as directed by the University Senate, administration, or Board of Governors. Cancellation or postponement at other times shall only be effected by i)

the Executive Committee of Senate; or

ii) the Dean/ Principal of the Faculty concerned, with the agreement of the Chair of Senate (or designate); or

the Chair of Senate (in emergencies, see below). iii) Except in emergency or exceptional situations as set out below, and subject to Presidential Order or this policy, any cancellation of classes or limitation of academic activity for all or part of a day in any or all Faculties must be approved by Senate prior to the commencement of the term in which the cancellation is required, in order to allow as much time as possible for any necessary adjustments.

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Senate or Senate Executive may authorize remedies in the event of a cancellation or postponement resulting in a short disruption of academic activities. Remedies shall be governed by the principles of academic integrity, fairness to students, and timely information, and shall be subject to consultation with the Vice-President Academic. (See also, Senate Policy on the Academic Implications of Disruptions or Cessations of University Business Due to Labour Disputes or Other Causes. [June 24, 1993; Amended December 12, 2007]

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	to the Senate Executive regularly for distribution to Senate.	
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	liaison with the Board of Governors. In exercising this	
A summary of the Board's actions shall be made available	function, the Committee meets at least once annually with	The two committees have not met
to the Senate Executive regularly for distribution to Senate.	the Executive Committee of the Board. The Executive	more than once each year for
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the Executive Committee of the Board. The Executive	8. Meetings of Senate Committee Chairs	
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information from Senate to Board and Board to Senate.	The Executive Committee shall be responsible for	
	convening at least one meeting each year of all Senate	
	committee chairs and vice chairs.	
8. Meetings of Senate Committee Chairs		
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placed before the Senate are clearly expressed and	that motion is clearly expressed and adequately supported	
documented. In exercising this responsibility, the Executive	by documentation and rationale;	
Committee may		
	ii) delay a motion to coordinate its consideration with	
i) place a motion on the agenda of the Senate, where	other complementary issues which are not yet ready for	
that motion is clearly expressed and adequately supported	consideration by Senate but are expected to be ready for	
by documentation and rationale;	consideration in the near future;	
ii) delay a motion to coordinate its consideration with	iii) delay a motion pending clarification of the wording	
other complementary issues which are not yet ready for	of the motion, provision of further documentation, or	
consideration by Senate but are expected to be ready for	elaboration of the rationale;	
consideration in the near future;		
	iv) refer a motion to a committee for further	
iii) delay a motion pending clarification of the wording	preparatory work;	
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elaboration of the rationale;	v) submit a separate report to the Senate expressing	
	its own views on the substance of a motion coming before	
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vii) withhold motions which are deemed by the Chair of	
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Senate to be ultra vires, slanderous, or otherwise not in	it shall report its decision and reasons at the next regular
order.	meeting of Senate.
b) If the Executive Committee delays, refers, or	c) The Executive Committee shall not
otherwise withholds a motion from a meeting of the Senate,	
it shall report its decision and reasons at the next regular	i) unreasonably delay Senate's consideration of a
meeting of Senate.	motion which is in order, which is clearly expressed, and
	which is adequately supported by documentation and
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which is adequately supported by documentation and	motion.
rationale;	
	IV. SUB COMMITTEES
ii) delay, refer, or withhold a motion as a result of its	
judgment on the substance of the issue(s) presented in a	Sub Committee on Equity
motion.	
	1. Mandate
IV. SUB COMMITTEES	
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mandate, either through its own initiative or by coordinating	equity issues and report to bodies such as the President's
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	non-Faculty College designated by the Council of Masters	
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	The Committee is composed of the following members:	
TENURE AND PROMOTIONS APPEALS	····	
	a) Voting Members	
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	Six faculty members elected by Senate (normally nominees	
The Committee is composed of the following members:	for election to the Committee will have served on the	
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committees)	Secretary of Senate	
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b) Non-Voting Members	Vice-President Academic and Provost	
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II. TERMS OF REFERENCE	a) hear appeals against recommendations of a	
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The Senate Tenure and Promotions Appeals Committee	negative recommendation for tenure, or a delay	
shall:	recommendation for promotion to full professor;	
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negative recommendation for tenure, or a delay	candidacy to candidacy;	
recommendation for promotion to full professor;		
	c) consider and rule on allegations of an	
b) hear appeals against decisions of appeal	apprehension of bias against members of Adjudicating and	
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	eight of whom hold a rank above that of Assistant Professor	
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should possess to meet those needs. Senate's advice to	submitted to Senate for approval prior to transmittal to the	
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committees. Senate Executive shall be responsible for	4. Taking into account the inputs from the community	
preparing an advisory statement on the criteria which will be	the search committee shall set the criteria for the search	
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search committee.	be communicated by the committee to the Board of	
	Governors and Senate, and thereafter distributed widely in	
4. Taking into account the inputs from the community	the university community. All Senators, Governors and	
the search committee shall set the criteria for the search	members of the community at large will be invited to	
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	unfolds.	
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unfolds.	7. The search committee should consist of 14 full	
	voting members:	
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	one of whom shall chair, one of whom shall be an alumnus /	
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voting members:	academic staff member	
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one of whom shall chair, one of whom shall be an alumnus /	student and 1 graduate student	
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academic staff member	8. The search committee shall strive for unanimity.	
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by Senate, including 5 faculty members, 1 undergraduate	search committee is necessary in order for a candidate to	
student and 1 graduate student	be recommended to the Board of Governors. In addition to	
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Procedures:	Procedures:	
 In developing the slate of nominees for vacant positions, the following actions are taken: 	1. In developing the slate of nominees for vacant positions, the following actions are taken:	
 all faculty members are surveyed for their interest Faculty Councils, Deans and Principal are asked for suggestions 	 all faculty members are surveyed for their interest a call for nominations is issued which lists vacancies and provides information about committees and positions Faculty Councils, Deans and Principal are asked 	These rules and procedures have only been approved to the extent that the "Handbook" has been approved. Many of the guidelines
 members of the Senate Executive Committee suggest names the names of those eligible for sabbatical in the coming two years and those coming off sabbatical are 	for suggestions members of the Senate Executive Committee suggest names the names of those eligible for sabbatical in the 	date to a time when the University was much smaller.
 reviewed the names of those who have served on Senate 	coming two years and those coming off sabbatical are reviewed	

Committees in the past are reviewed	the names of those who have served on Senate	
	Committees in the past are reviewed	
	2. Elections and Acclamations	
2. Elections are held for all seats on committees	2. Elections and Acciamations	
except as follows:	Senate Executive shall endeavour to identify sufficient	Faculty members have not been
where seats are designated for small Faculties	numbers of candidates to construct a slate leading to a vote, and encourage Faculty Councils to maximize the	surveyed per se.
• where a reasonable effort has failed to find enough	number of individuals standing for election to Faculty-	
candidates for Faculty designated seats for the mid-sized Faculties to construct a ballot	designated seats. This is a guiding principle and not a requirement for election processes, which may result in	
where extraordinary efforts have failed to find	acclamations.	
enough candidates in the larger Faculties to construct a ballot		There is no reliable data base to undertake this step.
3. Notwithstanding the above, elections must be held for the following:		
for the following.		
seats on the Senate Tenure and Promotions Committee		
seats on the Tenure Appeals Committee		
seats on committees which are non-designated		Many elections result in
 the position of Academic Colleague the position of Vice Chair of Senate 		acclamations. Because most Senate committee members are
	Guidelines and Criteria:	now designated by Faculty
Guidelines and Criteria:	1. The selection of faculty members for nomination to	Councils, many of these no longer apply.
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1. The selection of faculty members for nomination to Senate Committees and legislated sub committees will be	conducted in such a way as to draw on the various talents of members of all Faculties of the University.	
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2. No elected faculty member of a Senate Committee	consecutive termsNormally, members of Senate	
or legislated subcommittee shall serve more than two consecutive terms.	committees shall not succeed themselves. (Senate rule)	
	3. Notwithstanding the suggestions made or the	
3. Notwithstanding the suggestions made or the interest shown by individuals, nominees selected for a	interest shown by individuals, nominees selected for a ballot/acclamation are considered in the context of the	
ballot/acclamation are considered in the context of the	following criteria:	
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	4. Normally, members should not succeed themselves	
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on a committee, although for reasons of continuity, special	skills, or other exceptional reasons it may be advisable in a	
skills, or other exceptional reasons it may be advisable in a	particular circumstance to waive this practice. Application of	
particular circumstance to waive this practice. Application of	this practice should vary according to the committee. It is	
this practice should vary according to the committee. It is	mandatory in the case of Tenure and Promotions, advisable	
mandatory in the case of Tenure and Promotions, advisable	in the case of Academic Policy, Planning and Research	
in the case of Academic Policy, Planning and Research	Committee (and perhaps the Executive Committee) and	
Committee (and perhaps the Executive Committee) and	followed generally where possible.	
followed generally where possible.	5. In applying the criteria above, a special effort	
5. In applying the criteria above, a special effort	should be made to include younger and less experienced	
should be made to include younger and less experienced	faculty in the work of committees as a means of developing	
faculty in the work of committees as a means of developing	them for further service in the future.	
them for further service in the future.		
	6. Leadership ability and relevant experience must be	
6. Leadership ability and relevant experience must be	present in those being put forward for senior positions and	
present in those being put forward for senior positions and	committees.	
committees.		
	7. The overall objective of the nomination and election	
7. The overall objective of the nomination and election	procedure is to produce committees that will exercise well	
procedure is to produce committees that will exercise well	and responsibly the trust that Senate has placed in them.	
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 8. Notwithstanding all of the practices summarized above, the Executive Committee must exercise its best judgment and do so with the best interests of York University at heart. 9. In the final analysis, Senate has the final say: a nomination from the floor of Senate will be accepted for a ballot where the individual nominated has agreed to stand and where he/she is available to meet at the times when the committee concerned conducts its business. 	 8. Notwithstanding all of the practices summarized above, the Executive Committee must exercise its best judgment and do so with the best interests of York University at heart. 9. In the final analysis, Senate has the final say: a nomination from the floor of Senate additional nominees will be accepted if the individual nominated has agreed to stand, is available to meet at the standing meeting times, and is meets criteria. 	This text has been revised to reflect Senate rules concerning additional nominations.
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