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# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The University Committee on Academic Governance

**FROM:** Tyler Silvestri  
 *Secretary for Academic Governance*

**SUBJECT:** *Bylaws* Interpretation re: Staff Representation on CACs

Per section 4.3.4. of the *Bylaws for Academic Governance*, the University Committee on Academic Governance has the authority “to interpret these *Bylaws* subject to review by University Council.” I have received a request for UCAG’s interpretation from Professor Pete White of Lyman Briggs College.

**Relevant Bylaws**

2.2.5. The bylaws of each college shall provide for a College Advisory Committee of faculty and students or separate college advisory committees to serve as means of participation by faculty and students in the policy-making of the college. The composition of each College Advisory Committee shall be representative of that college’s diverse academic interests.

**Question Presented**

Staff are not mentioned in this bylaw. Does that mean that staff are not permitted to be on College Advisory Committees? Or does 2.2.5 only indicate the bare minimum of what should be on CACs (i.e., at minimum, faculty and students, and others are permitted to be added as deemed appropriate by a given unit)?