Ad Hoc Committee on Bylaws Reform
Executive Summary of Recommendations

I. Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws for Academic Governance with Attached Language

Preamble – Clarifies the faculty’s role in shared governance
1.3.1. - 1.3.4. – Clarifies and expands modes of participation
2.1.5.2. – Makes the Administration’s information-seeking obligations clearer
2.2.4. – Eliminates redundancy regarding administrators’ designees
3.2.4.7. – Sets expectations for the qualifications and selection process of the President
3.2.4.10 – Fixed a hyperlink
3.3.2.1.1. – Bars those with administrative appointments of more than 25% from chairing or vice chairing The Steering Committee, Faculty Senate, or Academic Congress and encourages all with administrative appointments to consider the appropriateness of their service in academic governance and to avoid conflicts of interest
3.3.3. - 3.3.3.6. – Specifies Faculty Senate procedures and creates way to call special meetings
3.3.4.9. – Clarifies Bylaws amendment process for Faculty Senate
3.3.5.1. – Corrects typo
3.3.6.2. & 3.3.6.3. – Clarifies the Provost’s shared responsibility with UCUE and UCGS
3.3.7. – Deletion to eliminate redundancy
3.4.1.3. – Adds the President to The Steering Committee, consistent with current practice
3.4.2.1. – Adds the Trustees to the list of those with whom faculty members of Steering Committee meet
3.4.2.11. – Chair and Vice Chair of Steering will represent faculty in emergency Board meetings
3.4.2.12. – Faculty on The Steering Committee will participate in Trustee orientation
4.2.1.3. & 4.2.1.5. – Changes term limits from three two-year terms to two three-year terms
4.2.2.2. – Bars those with administrative appointments of more than 25% from chairing or vice chairing Standing Committees and incorporates an equivalent of 3.3.2.1.1. for such committees
4.2.2.3. – Stylistic edit for consistency regarding dates
4.2.3.3. – Expands those who can request information from University-level Standing Committees
4.3.1.3. – Chair of UCAG is an ex officio member of Board’s academic policy subcommittee
4.4.5. - 4.4.7. – Clarifies UCUE’s advisory role and provides mechanism for getting Faculty Senate’s advice when the Provost sides with the Dean of Undergraduate Studies over UCUE
4.7.8. – Requires UCFT to create a subcommittee to advise the Provost on faculty status
4.8.5. & 4.8.5.1. – An analogue to 4.4.5. - 4.4.7. for UCGS
5.4 - 5.4.8. – Creates a Committee on Administrator Review responsible for reviewing administrators above the level of dean and ensuring dean reviews are conducted per the Bylaws
5.5. – 5.5.2. – Renumbered to account for the Committee on Administrator Review
8.2 – Added a period
8.3.2.2. - 8.3.2.2.2. – Fixed hyperlinks
II. Proposed Amendments to the *Bylaws for Academic Governance* without Accompanying Edits
1. Develop ways of incentivizing participation in academic governance
2. Clarify the role of *ex officio* members
3. Consider the equity of undergraduate and graduate representation on UCUE and UCGS
4. Stylistic and capitalization considerations
5. Expand the faculty’s role in admissions
6. Specify the Chairperson of UCAG’s ability to make non-substantive *Bylaws* edits
7. Conduct a holistic review of the Athletic Council, especially as it relates to the President’s selection powers
8. Update internal references to the *Bylaws*
9. Develop a mechanism for addressing alleged violations of the *Bylaws*

III. Proposed Amendments to the *Bylaws of the Board of Trustees* with Accompanying Edits
*Article 2* – Discourages the Board from acting on items not on the agenda
*Article 4: President* – Sets expectations for the qualifications and selection of the President
*Article 4: President* – Requires the President to create an annual orientation for Trustees involving Steering
*Article 4: Provost* – Expands the Provost’s consulting obligation to include academic governance
*Article 5* – Requires each Board committee to include a member of Steering or a designee
*Article 7* – Allows the Board to write to faculty without needing to go through the President
*Article 7: Rights and Responsibilities of the Faculty* – Removes “good taste”
*Article 7: Rights and Responsibilities of the Faculty* – Adds an Oxford comma
*Article 8* – Requires the Board to alert the Chair and Vice Chair of Steering when urgent action must be taken
*Article 8* – Adds reference to the faculty’s role in admissions
*Article 9* – Clarifies the faculty’s purview
*Article 14* – Requires the Board to alert the Chair and Vice Chair of Steering when developing a response to the death or incompetency of the President

IV. Proposed Amendments to the *Bylaws of the Board of Trustees* without Accompanying Edits
1. *Article 4: President* – Amend the process for selecting an Acting President to reflect practice
2. *Article 4: Vice President for Administration and Public Affairs* – Change name to reflect practice
3. Add a dedicated spot to the Board’s agenda for faculty and student representatives’ comments (note that this does not necessarily require a change in the *Bylaws*)