BY-LAWS

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

BY-LAW I. Proposed by-laws shall be submitted in writing to the By-Laws, Amendments, and Elections Committee at least two weeks prior to a regularly scheduled Senate meeting.

BY-LAW II. Amendments. A proposed amendment to the Faculty Senate Constitution must be submitted in writing to the By-Laws, Amendments, and Elections Committee. The By-Laws, Amendments, and Elections Committee shall forward the proposal, together with committee recommendations, to the Executive Committee for placement on the agenda of the next meeting of the Faculty Senate.

If disapproved by a majority of the voting members of the By-Laws, Amendments, and Elections Committee, the proposed amendment shall, upon written request of at least ten (10) members of the Faculty Senate, be submitted to the membership in the manner specified by Constitution Article VI.

BY-LAW III. Alternates. A senator requesting a replacement may petition the By-Laws, Amendments, and Elections Committee for a temporary alternate to serve for a period of no fewer than four (4) regularly scheduled consecutive Senate meetings nor more than nine (9) such meetings. If the petition is approved, the temporary vacancy will be filled in the same manner as a permanent one, in accordance with Article III C 4 of the Constitution. The elected alternate shall assume all senatorial duties of the senator being replaced.

BY-LAW IV. Elections will be held to reflect changes in organizational structure of the University only at prescribed annual Faculty Senate elections.

BY-LAW V. Procedural matters brought before the Senate require only one reading. Substantive matters brought before the Senate require two readings. Determination of matters of substance will be made by the chair.

BY-LAW VI. The chair of the Faculty Senate shall declare vacant the position of any elected senator who is absent from three regularly scheduled senate meetings during a senate year and who fails to provide for a temporary alternate or an observer substitute for any of the three as the case may require. That member's department head will be apprised of the reason for the vacancy. The vacancy will be filled in accordance with Article III C 4 of the Constitution.