Article IX - Committees

1) There will be standing and special committees

   a) The creation or dissolution of any standing committee shall be ratified by the Faculty Council. For the sake of continuity, the Chairperson of each standing committee will retain membership on that committee for the next year. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee shall appoint the Chairman and members of each standing committee.

   b) Special committees are defined as being of temporary duration and may be created and dissolved by the Faculty Senate as deemed necessary or desirable.

2) The Senate will delegate specified powers to its standing committees. These delegations will appear in the list of committees given below.

3) Normally the Senate will receive standing committee reports routinely, but the Senate reserves the right to review and reverse any standing committee action, other than that of the Courses and Curricula Committee. The Courses and Curricula Committee actions may only be revised by a majority vote of the Faculty Council.

4) All standing committees shall meet a minimum of once a semester.

5) There shall be student representation on each standing committee of the Faculty Senate.

6) The Chairperson of the Senate may appoint members of special committees at his or her own discretion, except as found in Article VI, Section C of the Constitution.

7) Special committees shall report to the Senate.

8) At present, the standing committees are:

Courses and Curricula Committee

Charges:
1. to act for the faculty to add, amend, delete, and define courses and curricula;
2. to forward such to the Office of Academic Affairs for appropriate disposition,
which may include immediate implementation.

The Courses and Curricula Committee will be composed of a chairperson, the ex-chairperson, and one representative from each represented unit on campus, (Business and Technology, Liberal Arts, Nursing and Allied Health, Sciences, Academic Assistance Programs, Library, Student Affairs, and Administrative Council*). The representatives from Academic Assistance Programs and Student Affairs will be non-voting members. Also, the committee will have two student representatives with no voting rights.

Before or during the first week of the fall semester each faculty unit will meet to elect a representative to this committee.

*Administrators for committee assignment are to be selected from the Administrative Council unit. If they are not on the Administrative Council, then they will be considered for committee assignments from respective divisions.

**Academic Policies Committee**

Charges:
1. to review and recommend changes in all academic policies, except those duties delegated to the Courses and Curricula Committee.
2. to draft new policies on an as-needed basis

The committee will be composed of a chairperson, the ex-chairperson, and a representative from each of the academic units. To achieve balanced representation, the chairperson should not be from the same academic unit as the ex-chairperson. The representatives from the academic units will be appointed for staggered 2-year terms as follows:
- Odd years: Business and Technology, Liberal Arts
- Even years: Library, Nursing and Allied Health, Sciences

**Article X - Changes, Additions, Modifications, and Repeal of By-Laws**

These By-Laws may be changed, added to, modified, or repealed by a two-thirds vote of the Senate, provided that the proposal of such change was introduced in writing one month in advance of the vote, and distributed to each member of the Faculty Council.