

Date: December 3, 2015

To: UVU Board of Trustees

From: Linda Makin, Vice President, Planning, Budget, and Human Resources
Cara O'Sullivan, Policy Officer

Re: Policies for December 3, 2015, Board of Trustees

Policy 103 *Faculty Senate Constitution (Revision)*

Sponsor: Mark Bracken

Steward: David Connelly

Policy 104 *Faculty Senate Bylaws (Deletion)*

Sponsor: Mark Bracken

Steward: David Connelly

Summary:

The Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws were last reviewed in 2004-05 and were updated as temporary emergency policies in September 2015. The update to the Constitution (Policy 103) has

- * Better aligned it with current university practice.
- * Incorporated the relevant aspects of the Bylaws (Policy 104) into the Constitution.
- * Simplified Faculty Senate actions.

Under current Policy 104, Faculty Senate cannot change its bylaws as circumstance warrants. By deleting Policy 104, Faculty Senate will be able to conduct its meetings to more effectively address internal senate actions. Faculty Senate will continue to have by-laws that it ratifies each year and modifies as needed.

Policy 115 *Minors on Campus and at University-sponsored Events (Temporary Emergency, Revision)*

Policy 601 *Classroom Management (Temporary Emergency, Limited Scope)*

Sponsors: Val Peterson and Jeff Olson

Stewards: Robin Ebmeyer, Kat Brown, and Pilar Hays

Summary:

Policy 115: The current temporary emergency policy lapses on December 4, 2015. The current policy needs to be updated and renewed.

Policy 601: In the drafting of Policy 115 *Minors on Campus*, it was determined that this policy did not address how faculty should interact with enrolled students who are minors. Some provisions of Policy 115 would hinder faculty members' ability to perform duties owed to enrolled students who are minors; for example, not being able to have one-on-one interactions with the minor students when they routinely have one-on-one office hours with students who are not minors.

To address this issue, it was decided to make a revision to Policy 601 *Classroom Management*. Enrolled students who are minored will be defined as "enrolled minors" and will not be in the scope of Policy 115. As enrolled minors under the scope of Policy 601, these enrolled minors will have the same benefit of instruction and be treated similar to non-minor enrolled students, while protecting these students in their minor capacity as required by law. The section entitled "Enrolled Minors" provides direction for faculty and staff for interacting with UVU students who are minors.