Rules Committee Meeting
5-2-13

Agenda

I. Call to Order

II. Attendance:

Chair: Justin Walton
Member: Faculty Senate Chair – James Heflin
Member: Faculty Senate Chair Elect – Mike Dunn
Member: Liu Yingqin
Member: Tahzeea Frisby

III. Old Business

A. Certification of Faculty Elections, 2012-1013

Dr. Keller presented the committee with the results of the CU Faculty Elections. These included the general election as well as school-specific elections. Run-off elections will be held the first week of the Fall 2013 semester.

The proposed amendment to the Faculty Senate Constitution passed with 83.5% of the vote.

Dr. Keller noted that turnout was down this year. The advantages of the digital voting system were discussed. He provided the following turnout percentages:

- 2013 Elections: 86 voted; 42.4 percent
- 2012 Elections: 109 faculty voted; 58.9 percent
- 2011 Elections: 79 faculty voted; 42.7 percent
- 2010 Elections 123 faculty voted; 65.8 percent

A motion was made and seconded to accept the election results. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Proposed amendment to the Faculty Senate Constitution—Dr. Heflin

An Amendment to the Faculty Senate Constitution:

Rename Article VII and renumber successive Article numbers:

Article VII. Parliamentary Authority

In the absence of any provision to the contrary, all business meetings of the Faculty Senate and its subsidiary bodies shall be governed by the parliamentary rules and usages contained in the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised.
This amendment proposal will go before the Senate for final approval at our next regularly scheduled meeting. If approved, it will appear on the ballot in Fall 2013.

IV. New Business [for next fall]

A. Rules Committee needs to re-address the standing of the Going-Green Committee. Specific issues are:

- Is this an approved committee?
- What is/should be the description of the committee?
- What is the make-up/membership of the committee?
- Amending the Faculty Handbook to incorporate the committee into the university governance structure.

B. Rules Committee should look at the Campus Election Administrator position.

Dr. Keller has served in this role since the system has gone digital. Given that Dr. Keller is not an elected member of the Senate, the Faculty Senate has given him authority to serve in this capacity on a yearly basis. Specific issues raised:

- Should the Campus Election Administrator position be a university-wide elected position?
- Should the Campus Election Administrator be a member of the Senate and Rules Committee?
- Training future administrators in the technology needed to manage the election.

IV. Adjournment—5:20 p.m.