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Committees for Faculty Senate

Committee Name	Purpose
Academic Affairs Committee	Has the responsibility to study policies, procedures, and regulations and to recommend actions in curriculum and instruction, academic standards, honors, and other matters affecting academic matters.
Bookstore Advisory Committee	To advise the management of the bookstore in selection of academic and trade materials appropriate for a bookstore serving a comprehensive research university. The Committee will aid the management in solving problems and dealing with customer complaints and will attempt to ensure that there will be sufficient books or academic packages available early enough in the semester that students will have access to these materials.
Budget Information Committee	To study the University budget and become thoroughly familiar with its structure, provisions, and development. To provide a member to attend each meeting of the President of the University or other officers as they prepare the University budget. To advise and recommend action on any issue pertaining to the development and content of the University budget to the Executive Committee of the Senate and to the Faculty Senate as a whole.
Bylaws Committee	Shall formulate and present the Bylaws to the Senate. This committee shall also consider and make recommendations on all amendments or changes referred to the committee.
Caucus Leaders Committee	Shall facilitate informal communication among the various units and between those units and the Executive Committee on matters of broad importance to the faculty.
Committee on Committees	Shall select nominees for the various University committees for presentation to the Senate or the Executive Committee.
Committee on Emeritus Status	Shall monitor the files to assure that all eligible candidates are considered for emeritus status, and review all recommendations, both favorable and unfavorable, and forward its recommendations to the Executive Vice President and Provost. The committee, through its chair, shall communicate in writing to the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate policy and procedural matters associated with the review of nominees for emeritus status.
Core Curriculum Oversight Subcommittee	Sub-Committee of the Academic Affairs Committee
Core Curriculum Review Committee	
Election Committee	Shall conduct elections of the Senate, of Senate officers, and of Senate committees, consistent with the Constitution and Bylaws. It shall develop election procedures consistent with the Constitution and other bylaws for the consideration of the Senate.
Executive Committee	To advise the Speaker of the Senate, assist in the administration and planning of Senate meetings, be responsible for the budget, implement the decisions and programs of the Senate, and act as directed by the Senate. Shall have the power to act for the Senate in case of an emergency.
Fine Arts Subcommittee	Subcommittee of the Academic Affairs Committee
Graduate Council	Shall review all curricular requests pertaining to the graduate academic program, shall be responsible for the quality and development of the graduate instruction and programs and shall advise the Director of Graduate Studies on all graduate program matters. The council shall communicate in writing, through its secretary, its recommendations to the Faculty Senate, by way of the Executive Committee, and simultaneously to the Academic Program Council.
International Programs Subcommittee	Subcommittee of the Executive Committee

<u>Legislative Affairs Subcommittee</u>	
<u>Medical Sciences Library Council</u>	Shall be the function of this council to review and recommend policies governing the operations of the University libraries. The council shall communicate in writing, through their respective secretaries, their recommendations to the Faculty Senate, by way of the Executive Committee, and simultaneously to the Executive Vice President and Provost.
<u>Minority Conditions Subcommittee</u>	Subcommittee of the Executive Committee
<u>Personnel and Welfare Committee</u>	Has the responsibility to study policies, procedures, and regulations and to recommend actions for hiring, retention, tenure, promotion, and evaluation of academic and support personnel and graduate assistants, benefits for academic and support personnel, faculty development, and other matters relating to University personnel and welfare.
<u>Planning Committee</u>	Has the responsibility to study policies, procedures, and regulations and to recommend actions in policies affecting University development and use of resources, establishment, reorganization or discontinuation, of organizational units/areas of instruction, research, or administration, libraries, computing, and other support facilities affecting the academic environment, Physical Plant and facilities affecting the academic environment, and other related matters relating to planning.
<u>Research Committee</u>	Has the responsibility to study policies, procedures, and regulations and to recommend actions in external funding of research, internal funding and distribution of research funds, travel related to soliciting, conducting, and presentation of research, libraries, computing, and other support facilities affecting the environment, publication or other means of disseminating research findings, copyrights and patents, and other matters affecting the conduct and dissemination of research.
<u>Rules and Regulations Committee</u>	It is the function of this committee to recommend changes in the rules and regulations governing the students and to supervise the publication of such regulations. The report of this committee shall be forwarded to each of the Vice Presidents represented and to the Academic Operations Committee for review and comments. The Rules and Regulations Committee shall communicate in writing, through its chair, its recommendations to the Faculty Senate, by way of the Executive Committee.
<u>Scholarship Committee</u>	It is the function of this committee to encourage, develop, and evaluate TAMU scholarship programs. The Scholarship Committee also hears appeals of students whose Athletic grants-in-aid are not renewed. In the conduct of these functions the committee shall be assisted by the Athletic Council and any Faculty Senate committee on minority conditions, each of which may be called on to suggest criteria for granting appropriate scholarships and awards. The committee shall forward its scholarship recommendations to the Office of Student Financial Aid and, through its chair, shall communicate in writing to the Faculty Senate, by way of the Executive Committee, policy and procedural matters associated with the review of scholarship applications.
<u>Sterling C. Evans Library Council</u>	Shall be the function of the above councils to review and recommend policies governing the operations of the University libraries. The council shall communicate in writing, through their respective secretaries, their recommendations to the Faculty Senate, by way of the Executive Committee, and simultaneously to the Executive Vice President and Provost.
<u>Subcommittee on the Status of Lecturers</u>	Subcommittee of the Executive Committee
<u>Subcommittee on the Status of Women</u>	Subcommittee of the Executive Committee
<u>University Curriculum Committee</u>	Shall review all proposed courses, changes, and programs at the undergraduate and the medical professional levels and shall recommend appropriate policy to improve and develop the undergraduate academic and the medical professional programs. The Committee shall communicate in writing, through its secretary, its recommendations to the Faculty Senate, by way of the Executive Committee, and simultaneously to the Academic Program Council.



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