Current Issues

Possible Items of Consideration for this Committee

The committee will determine its own agenda, but the Faculty Senate Executive Committee has identified some issues that you may wish to consider.

• Future of course management software at URI

• Technology resources for teaching

• Technology and implications for research

• Cloud computing resources for faculty and students

• Security implications and impacts on teaching and research.

• Network infrastructure

• Financial and administrative technology implications for faculty.

Senate Committees

Each committee has:

• 6 faculty senators, one of whom shall serve as chairperson. All serve for their three years on the Senate. Chairs serve for two years.

• 2 students, one undergraduate and one graduate student. Students serve for one year and may be appointed to a second term.

• Committee chairs may ask the administration to make available administrators or staff whose expertise is aligned with the work of the committees to act as liaisons as needed. Liaisons are not committee members.

• Committee chairs may also ask faculty not in the Senate to serve as non-voting advisors as needed.

-See By-Laws: 4.13 – 4.17

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Duties of the Committee

By-Laws Expectations:

Meet at least once a month

The Committee shall provide a brief informational report at the October meeting of the Faculty Senate outlining its goal(s) for the coming year.

Report to Faculty Senate in February:

Include a review of current initiatives, polices and practices as well as recommendations for future improvements

The duties for this committee are laid out in the By-Laws, section 4.50 – 4.51:

Contribute to the development and maintenance of the strategic plan with Information Technology Services:

• Software acquisition and configuration planning for research and teaching
• Technology hardware and software configuration and infrastructure in the classrooms
• Technology and support for research and teaching
• Software and technology for support of faculty
• Networking infrastructure planning
• Big data and high-performance computing planning.

• Review and make policy recommendations regarding the implications on:
• Academic planning
• Research planning
• Standards
• Services
• Physical facilities
• Allocation of resources

On all matters pertaining to information technology, infrastructure, computing, communications, and networking