COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND JURISDICTION
Julia Faucett, RN, PhD, FAAN

TO: Committee on Research

FROM: Julia Faucett - Chair, San Francisco Division Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction

RE: Proposed Amendment to the Committee Bylaws

DATE: July 31, 2003

As you may be aware, the Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction (R&J) has completed revisions of the Division’s bylaws last spring and Divisional approval was granted at the last Division meeting. R&J also transmitted our Division’s bylaws to the University Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction (UCR&J) for review to ensure compliance with the systemwide bylaws. In its review, UCR&J suggested a revision to your committee’s bylaws, specifically related to the duties of the committee. The current version of duties 3 and 4 appear similar yet are stated differently. UCR&J suggested revising the two sentences for consistency.

In addition, it has come to our attention that confirmation of the selected lecturers by the Division has not been the current practice in recent years thus R&J would like to request an amendment from you to delete the requirement for confirmation. We have not found any procedural rules in the bylaws that require confirmation, and suggest this change to make the bylaws conform to current practice.

Current Version of Bylaw 135.B. 3, 4:

3. To select for confirmation by the Division a member of the Division who has made a distinguished record in basic research, to deliver a lecture upon such topic as he or she sees fit. The confirmed member is to be designated the “Faculty Research Lecturer” of the San Francisco Division. [Am 1 Sep 03]

4. To select a UCSF faculty member who has made a distinguished record in clinical research, to deliver a lecture upon such topic as he or she sees fit. The confirmed member is to be designated the “Distinguished Clinical Research Lecturer.” [Am 1 Sep 03]

Revised Version of 135. B. 3, 4 as Suggested by UCR&J and R&J:

3. To select a UCSF faculty member who has made a distinguished record in basic research, to deliver a lecture upon such topic as he or she sees fit. The member is to be designated the “Faculty Research Lecturer” of the San Francisco Division. [Am 1 Sep 03]

4. To select a UCSF faculty member who has made a distinguished record in clinical research, to deliver a lecture upon such topic as he or she sees fit. The member is to be designated the “Distinguished Clinical Research Lecturer.” [Am 1 Sep 03]
Because these proposed changes are substantial amendments to your committee’s bylaws, they will require a Division vote, which the Academic Senate Office will coordinate in the near future.

Please respond whether you support the two suggested revisions to me (Julia.Faucett@Nursing.ucsf.edu) by August 8, 2003.

Please contact me at 476-3221 if I can be of further assistance.

CC:  Dan Bikle - Chair, San Francisco Division of Academic Senate  
     Leonard Zegans – Vice Chair, San Francisco Division of Academic Senate
DRAFT – PROPOSED CHANGES TO DIVISIONAL BYLAW 135(B) – 07.31.03

Statement of Purpose: The proposed amendment removes the requirement for confirmation by the Division when selecting certain lecturers. This amendment will align the bylaws with current practice.

135. Research Committee

A. Membership: This Committee shall consist of 23 members, in addition to the Chair and Vice Chair. The composition of the Committee should include Basic, Clinical, and Social/Behavioral scientists. The Chair is an ex officio member of the University Committee on Research Policy. [Am 9 Dec 81, 20 June 86, 1 Sep 03]

B. Duties:

1. To advise the Chancellor and inform the Division of budgetary need for support of research and research travel in the Division. It shall have the responsibility of making recommendations to the Chancellor regarding policy governing allocation of research funds, and other matters pertaining to research in the Division. It shall consider such applications for research funds as may be made by members of the Division and such applications for research travel grants for the purpose of attending meetings of learned societies as may be made by qualified applicants. It shall transmit to the Chancellor its recommendations concerning such applications.

2. If the Committee membership does not include faculty with sufficient expertise to review research grant applications in any year, the Committee may establish ad hoc review subcommittees. [Am 1 Sep 03]

3. To select for confirmation by the Division a member of the Division a UCSF faculty member who has made a distinguished record in basic research, to deliver a lecture upon such topic as he or she sees fit. The confirmed member is to be designated the “Faculty Research Lecturer” of the San Francisco Division. [Am 1 Sep 03]

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