

ARTICLE I

Definition of Faculty and Those Eligible to Vote and Serve Stand for Election on the Faculty Senate

The faculty shall be composed of all persons having academic rank at the University of North Carolina at Asheville, the Chancellor of the University, the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic ~~and Student~~ Affairs, and the Assistant or Associate ~~Vice Chancellors for Academic Affairs~~ Provosts. The ranks are Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Lecturer, and Instructor. ~~A Eligibility to vote and stand for election will be based on the requirements defined in Section 10 of the Faculty Handbook. If full-time ranked members who teach six (6) contact hours or more per semester, all ranked librarians, and all members in phased retirement are eligible for election to the Faculty Senate and may vote in faculty elections. Any faculty member serving on the Chancellor's staff or the staff of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs shall be ineligible for election to the Senate or any of the Senate's elected committees and shall not vote in such elections regardless of rank or teaching load.~~

ARTICLE II

Section 2

Composition of the Senate

The Senate shall be composed of eighteen elected faculty members. The Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic ~~and Student~~ Affairs shall serve as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Senate. The Senators shall hold three year terms of office from May 5 through May 5 of each succeeding year. Terms of office shall be phased so that six members are elected to new terms each year.

Senators will regularly attend Senate meetings and Senate committee meetings. When a Senator cannot attend a regular meeting of a Senate committee or the Senate, she/he should inform in advance the appropriate chair and specify her/his reasons. A Senator missing more than three meetings of either the Senate or a Senate committee will have her/his Senate membership reviewed by the Executive Committee of the Senate.

~~After serving a complete three year term on the Senate, a faculty member is ineligible for reelection for one year following the expiration of her/his term. At~~

~~the end of that period, and no later than one month prior to new elections, a faculty member may request of the Executive Committee a leave of absence from Senate service for an additional year to pursue valid academic concerns. Leaves of absence may be renewed by the same procedure for a third year, after which time the faculty member shall again become eligible for election.~~