IUPUI Staff Council Committee Annual Report 2008-09

Committee Name: Bylaws Committee

Chair: Avis L Frieson

Secretary: Correspondence Secretary-Avis?

Members Frieson, Avis (Chair)

Harvey, Natalie Hull, Danielle Matthews, Lana Kara Salazar Senesac, Meagan

Action Items:

Action Item(s)	Status
Article III. Section C: Putting the responsibility of establishing voting units for the following year on the Executive Committee versus Staff Council.	Completed & adopted 2-18-09
The Membership Committee found that Article III Section D Number 1 of the Bylaws referred specifically to the number of weeks (eight) prior to election the Membership Committee has to distribute information on vacancies in each unit.	
Article V Sec A: We added who handles the issues of vacancy in standing committees.	
Article VI. Meetings Section D. Motions We changed per Robert's Rules of Order, a 2/3 majority is only required when amending a bylaw. A simple majority is sufficient when passing a motion.	

We found editorial changes are unnecessary to bring in front of the Council as long as intent hasn't changed. This process follows what faculty council has passed and is in accordance with Robert's Rules. Also, approval of bylaw amendments by the Chancellor has been removed.	
PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES Robert's Rules of Order [Most Recent Edition] shall govern the conduct of the Staff Council meeting except where the Bylaws may otherwise provide. Rationale: Not necessary to have the latest publication date referred to in bylaws	

Action Items to be carried over to 2009-2010:

Action Item(s)	Status
There were no action items carried by the committee	

Suggested new action items for 2009-2010:

Action Item(s)	Status

Please attach any completed documents or recommendations made by your Committee during this report year.

Report due: June 30, 2009

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