**Rules Committee**

**Minutes for 9/29/16 meeting**

**Minutes approved on 11/3/16**

**Rules Members present: Susan Welch, Diana Mindrila, Yvonne Fuentes, Cheng Yun, and Mary Bishop**

**1. Minutes:**

 Any Changes, Additions, Modifications

Action: Minutes approved from 9/1/2016

**2. Regular Agenda Items:**

1. UWG Institutional Procedures, Section 2. Academic Affairs. Rules committee members will revise/reformat the UWG [Procedures](http://www.westga.edu/policy/3429_3909.php) within each area of Section 2.0 using the [UWG Procedure form](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1olqkwjkSVGIylozCdNHXnNHqFSs7bDtR6t8J7zZJbnU/edit?usp=sharing). Also, review the Faculty Handbook for the rules/regulations offered and offer revisions as necessary. The “assignments” are listed below (Rules committee member listed, new Policy name, and old [Faculty Handbook](https://www.westga.edu/assets-opentext/assetsDept/vpaa/FacultyHandbook.pdf) number):

Yvonne: Updated Reporting Grades section 205 for the Faculty Handbook was approved by the Rules committee.

Susan: UWG Procedure 2.7.8, Withdrawals was approved by the Rules committee. UWG Faculty Handbook sections 205.01; 205.02 was approved by the Rules committee.

Mary: UWG Procedure 2.7.1 Faculty Workload was approved by the Rules committee. UWG Faculty Handbook section 127 was approved by the Rules committee.

John: Convocation and Commencement Services- 306

Mary Alice: Research- 401

Yu: Faculty Absences- 213

Dan: Classroom procedures/Syllabi- 201

Neal: Student Absences- 202

Chris: Course changes, drops, and add- 204

Susana: Office Hours- 209

Diana: Textbook Selection and Ordering- 212

b. Restructuring of the Senate committees. The Rules committee approved the Restructuring of the Senate committee document with the following modifications and they include: 1. Within Teaching, Learning, & Assessment Committee purpose statement change Dean of Extended Learning (eCore, continuing education, distance and distributed education satellite campuses) to Executive Director of Extended Learning and Dean of USG eCore**.** 2. Within Teaching, Learning, & Assessment Committee membership change committee membership to include three administrators instead of two administrators. 3. Within Teaching, Learning, & Assessment Committee membership include one appointed by Executive Director of Extended Learning and Dean of USG eCore.

**A. Senate – Rules Committee… 2016-2017 Members List**

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**B. Rules/Senate Agenda Meeting Schedule… 2016-2017**

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| **Rules Meetings** **(Thursdays)** | **Rules****Location/Time** | **Senate Agenda Deadline** | **Senate & Exec. Committee Meetings**  | **Senate Meetings****Location/Time** | **Executive Committee Location/Time** |
| **Dates** | **SON 200** | **Dates** | **Dates** | **Location TBA** | **Location TBA** |
| **9/1/16** | 3:00 – 5:00 | 9/2/16 | 9/9/16 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| **9/29/16** | 10:00 – 12:00 | 10/7/16 | 10/14/16 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| **11/3/16** | 3:00 – 5:00 | 11/4/16 | 11/11/16 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| **\*12/1/16** | 10:00 – 12:00 | 12/2/16 | 12/9/16 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| **1/19/17** | 3:00 – 5:00 | 1/20/17 | 1/27/17 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| **2/16/17** | 10:00 – 12:00 | 2/17/17 | 2/24/17 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| **3/9/17** | 3:00 – 5:00 | 3/10/17 | 3/17/17 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| **4/13/17** | 10:00 – 12:00 | 4/14/17 | 4/21/17 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| **6/8/17** | 3:00 – 5:00 | 6/9/17 | 6/16/17 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| **7/6/17** | 3:00 – 5:00 | 7/7/17 | 7/14/17 | 3:00pm | 2:00pm/ |
| \*Note: This meeting will be confirmed based upon any open agenda items as of Thursday, 12/1/16. |

**C. Rules Committee purpose per** [**UWG Policy and Procedures**](http://www.westga.edu/assetsDept/vpaa/PoliciesProcedures.pdf)**:**

* + Rules Committee. Purpose: to review and make recommendations to the Faculty Senate regarding the structures, composition and organizational aspects of the Faculty Senate and its committees and the rules under which they operate; to resolve disputes between Senate committees; to recommend clear, transparent, efficient and effective rules for faculty participation in shared university governance; to consider appeals for cases of alleged violations to the rules; to recommend and to coordinate revisions and updates to the [UWG Faculty Handbook](https://www.westga.edu/assets-opentext/assetsDept/vpaa/FacultyHandbook.pdf), [Statutes](http://www.westga.edu/assetsDept/vpaa/Statutes.pdf), [Bylaws](http://www.westga.edu/assetsDept/vpaa/PoliciesProcedures.pdf), [Policies and Procedures](http://www.westga.edu/assetsDept/vpaa/PoliciesProcedures.pdf), and any operating protocols the Senate establishes. Membership: four senators; seven faculty, one elected from each of the following academic units: The five colleges (COSM, COSS, COAH, RCOB, COE), the School of Nursing, and the Library; two administrators: the University General Counsel; and one appointed by the Provost. (Total 13)