

Amendment Process Updated Amendment

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BY-LAW AS WRITTEN

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

Section 1

AMENDMENTS, REVISIONS, AND ADOPTIONS TO BYLAWS AND CHARTER

- A. These Bylaws and Charter may be amended at any regular meeting of the Senate by two-thirds (2/3) vote, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing. From there, a suggested five minute recess may be moved. Voting must take place during the same meeting unless the agenda item is tabled indefinitely.
- B. Review of the Bylaws and Charter must be done by the Parliamentarian and his/her committee each Spring/Summer semester.
- C. The Charter can only be adopted by the Senate after being presented to the Board of Governors of the University for approval.
- D. Any amendments or revisions of the Bylaws or Charter must be recorded and dated by the Parliamentarian for records.

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- A. These Bylaws and Charter may be amended at any **Parliamentary Committee meeting, Chaired by the Parliamentarian, with a majority vote of its voting members,** provided that the amendment **change** has been submitted in writing, including: (i) a formal submission including: **“BY-LAW AS WRITTEN,” “BY-LAW AS AMENDED,” AND “RATIONALE.”** (ii) the submission must be emailed to the Parliamentarian within seventy-two (72) hours before the next scheduled committee meeting. (iii) Individual(s) requesting the By-Law or

Charter amendment shall be present at the next scheduled committee meeting, but shall not count as a voting member towards the decision of approving the amendment, or not.

- B. If the amendment proposal is approved by the committee, the final amendment proposal shall be emailed to all SS members, the SS Advisor, and any other respective individual(s) in the same email sent by the SS President with the final GBM meeting agenda.
- C. The final amendment draft shall be brought in front of the general body for a final presentation, given by the parliamentarian, including the following sections in the final amendment proposal: (i) "BY-LAW AS WRITTEN," (ii) "BY-LAW AS AMENDED," AND (iii) "RATIONALE." Following the presentation, a suggested five minute recess may be moved, for review purposes of the changes presented. And if no other revisions are necessary, a motion to vote on the amendment shall be requested. A 2/3 majority vote of members present and voting in the affirmative is required to certify this amendment as approved and finalized.
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RATIONALE

We would like to make this process a part of the by-laws so that like budget requests, there is a thought out plan for the change and a rationale behind the changes. This process will create formality within changes that members see as necessary.