

Draft Language for 8.2 Article II Membership and Voting Rights
January 12, 2017

PPC consulted Section 8.4 Areas of Faculty Responsibility, as well as polling the faculty and some administrative offices on the issue of who is a voting member of the Faculty. After much discussion, PPC is prepared to recommend the following draft language on voting rights. PPC is grateful for Senate's time, discussion and input.

Suggested Revision:

B. The voting membership of the Faculty will include all ~~full-time~~ members of the Faculty *who are on a full-time faculty contract* holding the rank of professor, associate professor, assistant professor and all full-time, nontenure track faculty. It will include the ~~officers of the administration~~ *President, the Provost, the Dean of Arts and Sciences, the Dean of Professional Studies, the Vice President of Enrollment Management, the Chief Academic Officer, the Vice President of Student Affairs, the Director of Ministries, the Registrar, and the full-time librarians.* Tenured faculty and formerly full-time, nontenure track faculty who are in phased retirement may also vote.

Current language: (as approved by the Faculty, Spring 2016, but not BOR)

8.2 Article II. Membership and Voting Rights

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B. The voting membership of the Faculty will include all full-time members of the Faculty holding the rank of professor, associate professor, assistant professor and all full-time, nontenure track faculty. It will include the officers of the administration, the Chief Academic Officer, the Vice President of Student Affairs, the Director of Ministries, the Registrar, and the full-time librarians. Tenured faculty who are in phased retirement may also vote.

On the basis of these criteria the Office of Academic Affairs will prepare annually a list of faculty members who will have voting privileges. This list will be delivered to the Faculty Senate President and Parliamentarian and made available to all faculty before the first faculty meeting each year.

C. All members of the Faculty will have the right to speak at faculty meetings, to serve on committees, and to participate in academic processions. The Faculty may invite others to attend meetings of the Faculty and/or of its committees, either on occasion or on an annual basis.

D. Presidents and teachers emeriti will be regarded as honorary faculty members. They will have the right to attend faculty meetings, to speak on all matters of business coming

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On the basis of these criteria the Dean of the College will prepare annually a list of faculty members who will have voting privileges.

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8.4 Article IV. Areas of Faculty Responsibility

A. *Consonant with the mandate given it by the By-Laws of Augsburg College, the Faculty will have the following authority and responsibility:*

1. *To articulate the fundamental aims of the institution in harmony with the purpose as stated in the Amended Articles of Incorporation;*
2. *To provide a program of courses of study with appropriate instructional and advising programs;*
3. *To determine the standards for admission of prospective students, establish requirements for graduation and approve candidates for academic degrees;*
4. *To authorize programs for the development and nurture of the religious life;*
5. *To authorize programs that give adequate provision for such dimensions of student life as the following: cultural, social and recreational life, physical and mental health, and student government.*