

Class C 558: Resolution regarding adding a faculty member to the Board of Regents of the University of Washington.

WHEREAS, the faculty of the University of Washington have charge of the immediate government of the institution under such rules as may be prescribed by the board of regents [[RCW 28B.20.200](#)]; and

WHEREAS, state law provides that Regents will obtain the assistance and recommendation of the faculty in prescribing the courses of study in the various colleges, schools, and departments of the institution, and in the awarding of degrees [[RCW 28B.20.130](#)]; and

WHEREAS, the faculty of the University of Washington are specifically authorized to formulate regulations and to share responsibility with the University President, Chancellors, and Deans on matters such as educational policy and general welfare, policy for the regulation of student conduct and activities, scholastic policy, approval of candidates for degrees, criteria for faculty appointments, tenure, and promotions, and recommendations concerning university budgets [[Executive Order 4](#)]; and

WHEREAS, the governance of the University of Washington will be strengthened by providing the perspective of its faculty to the Board of Regents by adding a faculty member as a voting member to the Board; therefore,

THE FACULTY SENATE RESOLVES, that the Faculty supports legislation adding an eleventh member of the Board of Regents who is a full-time or emeritus member of the faculty of the University for a term recommended to be of three years.

The Faculty Senate recommends a process by which the Governor selects the faculty regent from a list of candidates, of at least two and not more than five, selected via a process determined by the Faculty Senate of the University of Washington.

The Faculty Senate intends that this faculty regent will be able to participate in processes and discussions relating to policy regarding major hiring decisions affecting the University, while expecting that the faculty regent would recuse himself or herself from voting on any decisions affecting matters relating to the hiring, discipline, or tenure of specific faculty members and personnel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Senate authorizes its Faculty Legislative Representative to pursue the enactment of this proposed legislation in keeping with these principles in coordination with Washington State University's Faculty Senate in the 2017 legislative session.

Approved by:
Senate Executive Committee
November 14, 2016

Approved by:
Faculty Senate
December 1, 2016