

Bylaws and Standing Rule Changes for April 2026 Senate vote

- Summer Meeting deletion and related revisions
- Senator clarification, role and process of selection

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1.	<p>Election of a new chair-elect shall proceed as described in Section 2, except: a) there shall be at least 21 days between the call for nominations and the election, b) the election shall take place at the first possible meeting of the Faculty Senate, however no such election may be held in the first meeting of the academic year or in the summer meeting. The new chair-elect shall complete the term of the chair-elect being replaced, as described in Section 2. [Amended 11/7/2018]</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. III. Sect 6. P.88</p>	<p>Election of a new chair-elect shall proceed as described in Section 2, except: a) there shall be at least 21 days between the call for nominations and the election, b) the election shall take place at the first possible meeting of the Faculty Senate, however no such election may be held in the first meeting of the academic year or in the summer meeting. The new chair-elect shall complete the term of the chair-elect being replaced, as described in Section 2. [Amended 11/7/2018]</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. III. Sect 6. P.88</p>
2.	<p>If submitted to the chair of the Faculty Advisory Committee at least 21 days before the next scheduled Faculty Senate meeting, the petition will be heard and considered at that meeting. If submitted less than 21 days before the next scheduled Faculty Senate meeting, the petition will be heard and considered at the subsequent meeting. A motion to remove an officer cannot be heard at the summer meeting of the Senate.</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. III. Sect 7. P.89</p>	<p>If submitted to the chair of the Faculty Advisory Committee at least 21 days before the next scheduled Faculty Senate meeting, the petition will be heard and considered at that meeting. If submitted less than 21 days before the next scheduled Faculty Senate meeting, the petition will be heard and considered at the subsequent meeting. A motion to remove an officer cannot be heard at the a summer meeting of the Senate.</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. III. Sect 7. P.89</p>

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3.	<p><u>Section 1.</u> Regular meetings of the Senate shall be held monthly during the academic year and once during the Summer Session unless otherwise ordered by the Senate.</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. IV. Sect 1. P.89</p>	<p><u>Section 1.</u> Regular meetings of the Senate shall be held monthly during the academic year and once during the Summer Session unless otherwise ordered by the Senate.</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. IV. Sect 1. P.89</p>
4.	<p><u>Section 3.</u> A majority of the members of the Senate shall constitute a quorum, provided however that for the summer meeting a quorum shall consist of the members present.</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. IV. Sect 3. P.89</p>	<p><u>Section 3.</u> A majority of the members of the Senate shall constitute a quorum. ; provided however that In the event a summer meeting is called, the meeting will be conducted fully online, for the summer meeting and a quorum shall consist of the members present logged into the meeting.</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. IV. Sect 3. P.89</p>
5.	<p><u>Section 3.</u> Committee members elected in March will assume office with the beginning of the summer session. The term of outgoing members will end with the close of the summer session. There will thus be a larger than normal number of committee members available for service during the summer.</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. VII. Sect 3. P. 92</p>	<p><u>Section 3.</u> Committee members elected in March will assume office with the beginning of the summer session. The term of outgoing members will end with the close of the summer session. There will thus be a larger than normal number of committee members available for service during the summer. This is for sufficient committee members in the event of a crisis requiring summer meetings.</p> <p>Bylaws. Art. VII. Sect 3. P. 92</p>
6.	<p>The Faculty Senate shall meet on the first or second Wednesday of each month from September to May unless ordered by the Senate Steering Committee. The Chair of the Faculty Senate will select dates for meetings which will be held in the early fall, late spring, mid-summer and January. Each date will be published no later than two weeks prior to the meeting. All members of the University Faculty shall receive</p>	<p>The Faculty Senate shall meet on the first or second Wednesday of each month from September to May unless ordered by the Senate Steering Committee. The Chair of the Faculty Senate will select dates for meetings which will be held in the early fall, late spring, mid-summer and January. Each date will be published no later than two weeks prior to the meeting. All members of the University Faculty shall receive notification of</p>

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Senators, process and timing of selection		
7.	The Faculty Senate is composed of the voting members of the University Faculty chosen by each college or school or other academic units for membership in the Senate. <u>Bylaws</u> Article II, Sect. 1 p.86.	The Faculty Senate is composed of the voting members of the University Faculty chosen by each college or school or other academic units each college, school, Palmetto College campus, and the University Libraries for membership in the Senate. <u>Bylaws</u> Article II, Sect. 1 p.86.
8.	No later than the opening of the fall term each year, the dean of each college or school and the academic administrator of each University Campus should recalculate the number of members of the Senate to which that college, school, or University Campus is entitled and revise the number of vacancies to be filled accordingly, provided that a reduction in appointments in the Senate of a college, school, or University Campus shall not result in the removal of any senators from such college, school, or University Campus until the expiration of their terms. <u>Bylaws</u> Article II, Sect. 3 p.87.	No later than the opening of the fall end of the spring term each year, the dean of each college, school, University Libraries and the academic administrator of each Palmetto College campus should recalculate the number of members of the Senate to which that college, school, Library or Palmetto College Campus is entitled. and The dean or academic administrator will and The dean or academic administrator will revise the number of vacancies to be filled based on their current number of full-time faculty, accordingly, provided that a reduction in appointments in the Senate of a college, school, University Campus Palmetto College campus, and the University Libraries shall not result in the removal of any senators from such college, school, or University Campus until the expiration of their terms. <u>Bylaws</u> Article II, Sect. 3 p.87.