

**COMMENTARY ON PROPOSED REVISION OF FACULTY CODE ARTICLE 6-13  
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**ARTICLE 6: THE SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES** revises provisions of the Faculty Code on the appointment and duties of deans and administrative boards, and extends provisions on department chairs and faculty meetings to units across the university:

§6-1(a) replaces set terms of office for deans with the procedure of making appointments for indefinite terms while requiring formal evaluation at least once in every five years.

§6-1(b)1-3 removes references to the role of administrative boards, which are covered in §6-2(b).

§6-1(b)4 retains the provision for calling and presiding over meetings of the faculty, while proposing removal of the existing section (§6-2.5 in the present code) that provides for assembling the faculty of the school at least twice per year for consultation.

Existing §6-2.6, on recommendation of chairs, is removed, as covered by proposed §6-3(a).

Existing §6-2.7 is reworded and expanded to include additional personnel recommendations.

§6-2 clarifies, with minimal change, the composition, terms, and duties of administrative boards. The revision also makes the use of administrative boards optional in the professional schools.

§6-3 defines the appointment and duties of department chairs, following provisions outlined in §8-6 and §8-7 of the existing Code. Applies principles and procedures that are presently limited to the College of Arts and Sciences to all colleges and schools that are organized into departments.

§6-4 provides for regular and special faculty meetings, following provisions outlined in §8-8 of the existing Code. Applies principles and procedures that are limited to the College of Arts and Sciences in the present Code to all colleges and schools that are organized into departments.

**ARTICLE 7: THE GENERAL COLLEGE** removes provisions of the Code to bring it into conformity with present practice.

**ARTICLE 8: THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES** clarifies and updates the divisional structure of the College, while removing sections dealing with duties of the dean, department chairs, and faculty meetings to be covered in §6-1(b), §6-3, and §6-4:

§8-1(a) updates the existing divisional structure of the college.

Existing §8-3 is removed, to be covered under §6-1(b).

§8-3 defines the membership and responsibilities of the Arts and Sciences Advisory Committee; removes the dean of the Graduate School from membership.

§8-4 conforms divisional faculties to present practice.

Present §8-6, §8-7, and §8-8 are removed, to be covered in §6-3 and §6-4.

**ARTICLE 9: THE GRADUATE SCHOOL** clarifies the membership of the graduate faculty and duties of the dean:

§9-1 more clearly defines membership in the graduate faculty.

Existing §9-2, which requires consultation of the dean of the Graduate School on appointment and promotion of graduate faculty, is removed.

**ARTICLE 10: THE SUMMER SCHOOL** provides updating and minimal changes.

**ARTICLE 11: RECORDS, REGISTRATION, AND UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS** remains as is, with changes for style only.

Existing **ARTICLE 12: ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF STUDENT AFFAIRS** is deleted since the Board is defunct, having not met for many years.

**ARTICLE 12: ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE LIBRARY** proposes minor changes:

§12-1(a)4 provides board membership from the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, inadvertently omitted from the existing Code.

§12-1(b) increases the appointed membership of the Administrative Board from six to seven, with §12(b)1 providing for two members from the Division of Health Affairs, to allow more faculty representation from that Division.