

## **Presidential/Faculty Working Group on Internal Governance**

*Charge:* The Presidential/Faculty Working Group on Internal Governance has been formed by President Lariviere and the Faculty Advisory Council to draft revisions to the current governance structure. These revisions are necessary to bring the governance structure into alignment with a Department of Justice ruling dated 11/7/08.

*Membership:* Paul van Donkelaar, Human Physiology, Chair  
Dave Dusseau, LCB (NTTF)  
Judith Eisen, Biology  
Susan Gary, Law  
Gordon Nagayama Hall, Psychology (CoDaC)  
Peter Keyes, AAA (Former Senate President)  
Deb Olson, Education (NTTF)  
Scott Pratt, Philosophy  
Ann Tedards, Music (Former Senate President)

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The Working Group will, at a minimum, consider:

- A proposed structure for the governing body of the statutory faculty
- Constitution of the membership
- Purview of the authorities of any proposed body to act and legislate as distinguished from making recommendations
- Authority and mechanisms to convene any proposed bodies
- Frequency of any regularly scheduled meetings
- Operating procedures including questions of quorum
- Presiding officer or officers
- The relationship of any proposed new bodies to existing structures

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*Process:* The revisions generated by the Working Group will be discussed, considered, and voted upon at a series of statutory faculty meetings during the 2009-10 academic year. These faculty-ratified revisions will then be forwarded to President Lariviere for his consideration and adoption.

*Reporting:* The Working Group will report to the Statutory Faculty, the Faculty Advisory Council and the University Senate as needed at their regularly scheduled meetings.

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- First meeting (9/14/09): overview of issues, initial set of questions to address.
- Next meeting (10/15/09): 9:30-11 - Lewis Lounge
  - Applicability of Oregon Public Meeting Laws to internal governance structures.
  - Committee functions that could be subsumed by Statutory Faculty Assembly.
  - Initial consideration of potential motions for 11/18/09 Assembly meeting:
    - Creation of faculty senate
    - Outline of structure for statutory faculty assembly and university senate
    - Details of mechanism for calling, and voting and quorum requirements for statutory faculty meetings.