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Article VI - Constituent Assemblies (Section 2)

Section 2 Other Faculty Assemblies. Each member of the Faculty Conference who holds appointment to a major academic division of the University shall be a member of the faculty assembly in that division. Each such faculty assembly shall be responsible for the academic program of its division, within limitations prescribed by the Faculty Conference. Each assembly shall adopt bylaws for its own governance which shall be subordinate to and consistent with these *Bylaws*. The following are recognized as major academic divisions of the University: the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Business Administration, the Richard W. Riley College of Education, Sport, and Human Sciences, the College of Visual and Performing Arts, the Winthrop University Library, and University College.

the School of Graduate, Continuing, and Online Education

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<u>Article VII – Section 1 – Paragraph 2</u>

Certain situations, such as a shortage of qualified faculty, may necessitate temporary exceptions to the committee membership requirements stated in Articles VIII and X. Detailed requests for such exceptions, including the duration of the requested exception period, must be submitted in writing to the Rules Committee, who will determine if the requests are appropriate and reasonable. If approved by the Rules Committee, a request for exception must then be presented to and approved by Faculty Conference prior to taking effect. In such cases, documentation of approval will be maintained by the Rules Committee, Division of Academic Affairs, and the affected committee. Upon expiration of an exception, membership requirements will immediately revert to the standard requirements of these bylaws.

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<u>Article VII – Section 1 – Paragraph 2</u>

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