

University Area Commission | Governance Committee Report

Meeting Details: Wednesday November 1, 2017, Northwood and High Building, Started 6:04 PM and Ended 7:05 PM

Attendance: (P: Present, A: Absent, E: Excused, G: Guest, R: Resigned) Doreen Uhas-Sauer(P), Lauren Squires (E), Steve Volkmann (P), Omar Elhagmusa (A), Andrew Frankhouser (P) and David Hegley (P)

1. Discussed proposed Language to address the issue of having trouble meeting quorum every 2 years when all the appointed and nominated seats come up for seating.
 - One change previously discussed was changing terms for organization Commissioners from 2 years to three years. After further discussion it was decided the change could making recruiting students more difficult and if we make a change the language about the size of the quorum for the annual meeting this change is not necessary.

2. After lengthy discussion the Committee reached consensus on adding language regarding a quorum for the annual meeting:
 - Article I, Section 4, Paragraph f:
 - A quorum shall be eleven commissioners *for all meetings with the exception of the annual meeting. The quorum at the start of the annual meeting shall be 60% of the Commissioners with terms that are not expiring at the start of the annual meeting.* Once a quorum is established, business can be conducted unless the number of commissioners present drops below nine, at which time the meeting is declared adjourned.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Uhas-Sauer and seconded by Commissioner Volkmann to Move this by law change to the full Commission for consideration.
 - Voting Yes – Uhas-Sauer, Volkmann, Frankhouser and Hegley, No votes = 0. Motion passes unanimously.
 - A first reading will be done in November and a final vote on the change is planned for December.

Next meeting is December 6, 2017 @ 6:00 PM in Room 100 of the Northwood and High Building