

Senate Council
April 23, 2012

RWA Meeting
4.17.12

Proposed Change to *Senate Rules 1.4.3.2*
("Senate Retroactive Withdrawal Appeals Committee")

Background:

The Senate Retroactive Withdrawal Appeals Committee (SRWAC) meets on a monthly basis. It is one of the few Senate committees with a specific number of voting members.

Due to the small number of members prescribed by the *Senate Rules*, it is sometimes difficult to meet quorum, particularly if a voting member is unexpectedly absent. Due to the number of appeals heard at each meeting, as well as the detailed nature of each appeal, it is not feasible (or fair) to send all appeals to an alternate to review, just in case a voting member is unable to attend.

The SRWAC has discussed this issue and suggests the changes, below.

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1.4.3.2 Senate Retroactive Withdrawal Appeals Committee (SRWAC) [US: 12/8/97]

A. The SRWAC shall consist of ~~four~~ ^{five} members of the University Faculty and one student, plus a sufficient number of alternates, named by the Senate Council. A representative of the Associate VP for Employment Equity, a representative of the Counseling and Testing Center, a representative from the Advising Network, and a representative from the Assistant Dean of Students directing the Disability Resource Center, will serve as *ex officio* nonvoting members of the Committee.

B. The Committee shall decide all student requests for retroactive withdrawals as provided by SR 5.1.8.5.

Approved RWA
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