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**Senate Rules and Elections Committee**

**April 22, 2015**

**Minutes**

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**1. Proposed Changes to Senate Rules Concerning Dentistry Professional Program**

The Senate HCCC approved a number of programmatic changes to the Dentistry professional degree, some of which would require amending the University Senate Rules. The SREC approved a draft of what the correspondingly revised Senate Rules would look like, and recommended that Wood submit that draft to the University Senate Council.

The Chair of the Dentistry Faculty Council had also inquired as to how would a college faculty determine what kinds changes to an academic degree program are considered as 'local college policy' needing only approval of the College Faculty vs. what are changes requiring submission above the college to the University Senate approval mechanisms. The SREC approved the following interpretation:

If a proposed change to a degree program

- contradicts or requires a change to Senate Rule

- changes HCCC-approved or Senate-approved academic policy for program admission, retention, graduation, or academic discipline

- or makes changes to the list below from SR 3.2.1.B

1. the requirements for admission,

2. the specific courses, the number of credit hours, or other requirements, for a certificate or degree,

3. a major, minor, area, core, or track within an undergraduate degree,

4. a core or concentration within a master‘s degree,

5. a core or specialization within a doctoral degree (either a research/scholarship doctorate, a professional practice doctorate, or an advanced practice doctorate),

6. change in mode of delivery (e.g., to a distance learning or correspondence format),because it may be that the nature of the educational material is such that it cannot be delivered in distance learning form without being a substantive change in content

7. the title of a certificate, degree, major, minor, area, core, track, concentration or specialization.

then the Senate Rules require the program change to have approval above the level of the College Faculty.

**2. Draft GR concerning faculty discipline**

The SREC noted the status and implications of the current draft of the GR concerning faculty discipline.

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