

Senate Representatives

Category: Board of Governors

Approval: Board of Governors

Responsibility: University Secretary

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1.0 Purpose

This policy establishes a mechanism for cross-over representation between the Board of Governors and the Senate.

2.0 Context

Prior to 1999 various models of cross-over membership between the Board and the Senate were used. When Senate changed its composition in 1999, it eliminated seats previously reserved for Board members. Following consultation, the governing bodies agreed to a new approach whereby each year each governing body would select up to two representatives to send to open session meetings of the other governing body in order to facilitate communication. Representatives would have voice but not vote. This approach does not impact the number and distribution of seats on either governing body and lessens the arbitrary load placed on individuals who become members of a second governing body *ex officio*.

3.0 Policy

1. Senate and the Board of Governors will each name, annually, up to two members as representatives to the other governing body;
2. Senate and Board representatives to the other governing body will be provided with agendas and eligible only to attend and participate in debate at open session meetings;
3. Senate will select from among its members in the spring up to two members to serve as Senate's representatives at the Board in the following academic year;
4. The Board of Governors will select from among its members in the spring up to two members to serve as the Board's representatives at Senate in the following academic year.