First Draft Effort at Conformation of CSU Statutes and Bylaws

TEN MONTHS IN THE MAKING...

TEN YEARS OVERDUE.
What is the difference between Statutes, Bylaws and the Handbook

- Bylaws define what it means to be a member of the faculty and describes their role in University Governance.
- Statutes are more specific about faculty responsibilities and the association between the University, the University System and the faculty.
- Handbook outlines the day-to-day operation of the campus as it relates to faculty.
Why have more than one document? Why do we need Statutes?

- The Statutes take USG policies and describes how they will be applied to our campus. We can better tailor them to our particular mission.
- They require a vote of 2/3 of a quorum of the faculty to modify.
- You don’t want to do this every year.
Why a handbook?

- This is the instruction manual for being a faculty member.
- It interprets Statute and Bylaw policies.
- It defines the procedures for executing policy that are broadly described in the Statutes. (Due Process)
- It is a dynamic document controlled by the Faculty Senate through its committee structure.
The Task Force

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Charge

- Review existing, outdated policy
- Establish consistency with BOR Policy Manual and the Faculty Handbook
- Recommend changes to structure
Assign each TF member a section of the Statutes for review and modification
Shorten where possible and appropriate (links to existing policy)
Eliminate internal and external conflicts.
Present to the Senate.
Review with the Handbook Committee
Submit for a vote to the faculty as a whole.
Changes to Bylaws

- Defined the leadership role of the Executive Officer
- Reinforced the Committee reporting responsibilities.
- Codified the process for selecting new elected Senate offices at the May meeting. (Who votes?)
- A budget for the Senate
Changes to the Statutes

- Active links to BOR Policy Manual and elimination of duplication of verbiage.
- Streamlined the updating of University Policies tightly linked to the BOR Policy Manual.
- Incorporated changes made to Faculty Handbook and Faculty review that were already approved by a faculty vote.
- Clarified policies related to review and promotion for all ranks and types of faculty positions.
- Updated policies related to termination and grievance policies.