**Faculty Senators** April 23, 2020

blue = election required, the current person may be re-elected

red = election required, the current person may not be re-elected

**represents senator in AY 19-20 appointment in 19-20 senator in AY 20-21 appointment in AY 20-21**

Arts + Humanities Jessica Barnes-Pietruszynski 3 of 3 first term Jessica Barnes-Pietruszynski 1 of 3 second term

Dirk Johnson 3 of 3 second term Josh Martin 1 of 3 first term

Chris Clark 2 of 3 second term Chris Clark 3 of 3 second term

(alt.) Marc Porter 1 of 1 (alt.) 1 of 1

Business + Social Sciences Mehdi Seyedmonir 1 of 3 second term Mehdi Seyedmonir 2 of 3 second term

Mike Workman 2 of 3 first term Mike Workman 3 of 3 first term

Rebecca Francis 2 of 3 first term Rebecca Francis 3 of 3 first term

(alt.) Michael Pennington 1 of 1 (alt.) 1 of 1

Library Michael Casey 1 of 3 second term Michael Casey 2 of 3 second term

Deborah Wells 3 of 3 second term

(alt.) Seth Caudill 1 of 1 (alt.) 1 of 1

Natural Sciences + Math Mike Fultz 3 of 3 second term Mohammad Bhuiyan 1 of 3 first term

Tim Ruhnke 2 of 3 first term Tim Ruhnke 3 of 3 first term

Rich Ford 1 of 3 second term Rich Ford 2 of 3 second term

(alt.) Mohammad Bhuiyan 1 of 1 (alt.) Sonya Armstrong 1 of 1

Professional Studies Leigh Ann Davidson 1 of 3 first term Leigh Ann Davidson 2 of 3 first term

Lindsey Good 3 of 3 first term (one year)

(alt.) Jay Canterbury 1 of 1 (alt.) 1 of 1

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**From the Senate Constitution:**

**Article V. Electorate**

The electorate is comprised of full-time members of the faculty, including department chairs, deans, and other members of the faculty who would normally qualify except for special temporary assignments, full-time librarians and counselors, and personnel of GRDI.

**From the Senate By-Laws:**

**ARTICLE II: ELECTIONS**

**A.** **Senate:**

1. The members of the four colleges, the Librarians and Counselors and GRDI shall elect members of the Senate and Senate Alternates during the first week of March. The names of the elected members shall be submitted to the Senate and the general faculty. Newly elected Senators and Senate Alternates shall take office at an appropriate time during the regular Senate meeting in May, after which the newly constituted membership of the Senate will elect those of its officers who are to be elected, namely Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, and Historian.

2. Each elected Senator shall be elected for a three (3) year term except for the first election. The first election shall be divided so as to have at least 1/3 of the Senators elected for one year terms, 1/3 for two-year terms, and 1/3 for three-year terms. The Executive Committee shall determine the specific terms for the first election. Senate alternates shall be elected for one-year terms. No Senator shall serve more than two (2) consecutive terms or more than seven (7) consecutive years.

3. The Senate alternate shall be the nominee receiving the next highest vote at the college or division elections. In cases where there is only one nominee, an alternate shall be elected.

**ARTICLE V: COMMITTEES**

**A. 1. f.** **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**: It shall be the function of this committee to consider such matters as fall within the jurisdiction of the Senate. The committee shall serve as an expediting group by referring items to the appropriate group or person for recommendations and/or action and thus shall include a specific deadline for receipt of a report on the subject. It shall provide the Secretary with the agenda to be distributed to the Senate, and instruct the Secretary to request the presence of such non-Senate personnel as may be needed to facilitate the business of the Senate.

The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, and Historian of the Senate, the faculty representative to the Advisory Council of Faculty and to the Board of Governors of West Virginia State University, and two (2) additional members-at-large to be elected by the faculty. Members-at-large members of the Executive Committee shall be elected for a two-year term with no member-at-large serving more than two (2) consecutive terms, excluding unexpired terms. At-large members of the Executive Committee attend Faculty Senate meetings in a non-voting capacity. They are not eligible to serve on other standing committees of the Faculty Senate. Senators may not be elected at large to the Executive Committee.

**ARTICLE VIII: VACANCIES on COMMITTEES and in the SENATE**

**B. Vacancies in the Senate:**

1. If a Senator fails to attend three consecutive regularly scheduled meetings, the Senate may by majority vote, expel the member and declare the seat vacant.

2. The Chairperson of the Senate shall appoint a member of the electorate. This person should have qualifications, which are similar to those of the previous occupant.