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6.1 Faculty Grievance Committee. The entire senate shall elect a seven-member Committee on Faculty Grievances to fulfill the grievance functions of the senate. This committee shall have the powers and duties outlined in Section 4.13 of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents. Members of the committee shall serve staggered terms, meaning that the term(s) of one class of members will expire each year. Each year at the September meeting of the Faculty Senate, new members will be elected from a slate of nominees which shall include one more candidate than the number of vacant seats created by reason of the expiration of the term of a member, resignation, or retirement. Members of the committee shall serve staggered terms, meaning that the term(s) of one class of members will expire each year. The committee member elected from the Faculty Senate Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare shall serve a maximum three-year term or the remainder of his/her term on the Faculty Senate. Committee members shall be elected from faculty members eligible for election to the Faculty Senate. Within five days after the September meeting at which the new members are elected to the Grievance Committee, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Faculty Senate, or his/her designee, will call a meeting of the Grievance Committee for the express purpose of electing a grievance committee chair. The committee shall elect its own chairperson from among its tenured members. A committee with a case under consideration shall, when necessary, continue past September with its membership unchanged until the case is resolved in such an event new cases shall be considered by the reconstituted committee.

6.2 Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee. Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee. This committee, composed of five (5) tenured and two (2) non-tenured members of the UNO faculty, will sit on all cases covered by sections 4.14 of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska. Members of the committee shall be elected by the faculty to a term of three (3) years. Every year at the September meeting, the Committee on Rules shall present a slate of nominees that shall include for each vacancy to be filled one more candidate than the number of vacant seats created by reason of resignation, retirement, or the expiration of the term of a member. The senate shall be notified of the newly elected members by way of a resolution presented by the Committee on Rules at the October senate meeting. Non-tenured faculty members who receive tenure shall resign at the end of the academic year in which it is conferred and be replaced in the manner previously described. Elections to this committee shall be conducted in the same way that faculty senators are elected. The committee shall elect its own chairperson. A committee with a case under consideration shall, when necessary, continue past September with its membership unchanged until the case is resolved in such an event new cases shall be considered by the reconstituted committee.

6.3 Professional Conduct Committee. Professional Conduct Committee. This committee, composed of five (5) tenured UNO faculty members holding the rank of assistant professor or above, will consider all professional conduct cases arising under section 4.15 of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska. The election to fill committee vacancies due to resignation, retirement, or the expiration of a three-year term shall be held at the September meeting each year. The faculty senate shall choose committee members by plurality vote from a list of nominees prepared by the Committee on Rules. The ballot shall list one more nominee for each vacancy than there are positions to be filled. The reconstituted committee shall have the powers and duties outlined in Section 6.4 of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents. Members of the committee shall serve staggered terms, meaning that the term(s) of one class of members will expire each year. Returning members shall continue to serve for three (3) years as alternates who will be available as committee replacements should the need arise in a particular case. The committee shall elect its own chairperson from the membership. A committee with a case under consideration shall, when necessary, continue past September with its membership unchanged until the case is resolved in such an event new cases shall be considered by the reconstituted committee.

Section 7: Faculty Senate Advisory Committees.

The faculty president, in consultation with the Executive Committee, may appoint advisory committees that include but are not limited to the following:

- Committee on Rules
- Committee on Goals and Directions
- Committee on Faculty Personnel and Welfare
- Committee on Faculty Grievance
- Committee on Professional Conduct
- Committee on Faculty Senate Advisory Committees