

MAYVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY ASSOCIATION AND SENATE CONSTITUTION

Article II. Purpose

The purpose of the Association shall be to consider educational affairs which apply to the role of the faculty as herein outlined.

1. The purpose of the Faculty Association and Faculty Senate shall be to serve as the agency for the formulation of educational policy at Mayville State University and to serve as the forum for the determination of official opinion of the Faculty of the University.
2. The President of the University shall be the official agent for transmitting minutes, decisions, and policy recommendations from the Faculty Association and Senate to the State Board of Higher Education and the Chancellor's Office, unless the Council of College Faculties be the appropriate pathway for such actions or the Chancellor or State Board of Higher Education shall direct particular communications be directed elsewhere. As Chief Executive Officer, the President of the University guides and leads the institution by observing the policies of the Board of Higher Education and by considering the needs and recommendation of the faculty, the various committees of the Faculty Association and Senate, and the other executive officers of the University.
3. The Faculty Association and Faculty Senate are empowered by the Board of Higher Education to make decisions on the following matters of educational policy subject to review by the President of the University and ultimate acceptance or rejection by the Board of Higher Education:
 - A. Standards for admission, selection, and retention applicable to all students of the University;
 - B. Requirements for the granting of degrees that are applicable to all students of the University;
 - C. Curricula requirements within Board-approved programs that are applicable to all students;
 - D. Instructional standards throughout the University;
 - E. Procedures for faculty participation in the selection and evaluation of colleagues;
 - F. Standards of academic freedom throughout the University; and
 - G. Other items as they exist. The above list should not be taken so as to prevent the Faculty from exercising power in areas not identified at this time.

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4. The Faculty Association and Faculty Senate are empowered by the Board of Higher Education to advise the President of the University, Dean/Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Board of Higher Education on the following matters:
 - A. Appointment, promotion, tenure, dismissal of faculty members;
 - B. Issues affecting current or projected budget decisions, including salaries and other budgetary items for the University as a whole;
 - C. Issues of faculty welfare such as salaries and fringe benefits; and
 - D. Other items as they exist. The above list should not be taken so as to prevent the Faculty from exercising its advisory function in areas not identified at this time.

5. The Board of Higher Education, having delegated policy-making power to the Faculty Association/Senate, may disapprove acts of the Association/Senate. Within ten days following the delivery of the minutes of the Faculty Association or Senate meeting, the President, representing the Board's authority on campus, may veto an act. He/she shall notify the Faculty Association or Senate, as appropriate, of such veto. If the Association or Senate wishes to appeal the veto, notice of the veto shall accompany a copy of the act and be delivered to the Chancellor of the North Dakota University System. The Chancellor shall review the act and the veto. She/he shall make a final determination as to the disposition of the act, in keeping with SBHE policy 305.1(6).