**Diversity Council**

Proposed Standing Rules

The Diversity Council addresses ongoing planning and implementation of university diversity initiatives, including equity, access, educational environment, and cultural competence. The Diversity Council has authority to make recommendations regarding policies and practices in areas of faculty development, recruitment and retention of faculty and students, scholarship/research and curriculum in consultation with appropriate standing committees, if applicable. The Diversity Council also provides a forum for communication among faculty regarding OSU's diversity related activities.

The Diversity Council reports directly to the Faculty Senate.

The Council consists of seven faculty members, with at least three being teaching faculty. There shall be two student members, one of whom may be the Multicultural Affairs Task Force Director, or designee. In addition, ex-officio, non-voting members shall include the Director of Community and Diversity, the Director of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity, and the Director of Difference, Power, and Discrimination, or designees.

**Library Committee**

Standing Rules Revisions

The Library Committee advises the University Librarian in 1) meeting the learning, instruction, and resource needs of students, faculty, and staff; 2) formulating library policies in relation to circulation, budgets, services, and development of resources for instruction and research; and 3) interpreting the needs and policies of the library to the University; and 4) identifying and addressing issues regarding scholarly communication (e.g. print and electronic journals and books). The committee consists of nine Faculty members, ideally providing a broad representation of academic disciplines, and three Student members, including at least one undergraduate and one graduate student, and the University Librarian, or designee, as an ex-officio, non-voting member. One faculty member may be retired.

**Rationale:** The Scholarly Communication Task Force has merged with the Library Committee at the recommendation of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, consequently, it is important to include this facet (#4) of the Library Committee’s work.
**Student Recognition & Awards Committee**  
Standing Rules Revisions

The Student Recognition and Awards Committee coordinates awards that are all-University in nature and that are awarded by faculty to students. The Committee also plans and conducts, with the support of the ex-officio, an assembly or other appropriate program for the presentation of these awards to their recipients. The ex-officio works closely with the committee and is responsible for the tasks associated with the all-university recognition and awards program. The committee is responsible for selecting the recipients of the Drucilla Shepard Smith Scholastic Awards, the Clara H. Waldo and E.A. Cummings Outstanding Student Awards and the AAUW Senior Woman of the Year Award. The Committee consists of eight Faculty, eight Students, and a representative from Financial Aid, ex-officio, non-voting.

*Rationale: Due to the work load required by the committee, and in particular by the chair(s), in selecting and notifying the award recipients, coordinating the awards programs, writing the script, etc., additional faculty are needed on this committee.*