Changes Concerning Senate Committees

All proposed changes are to Chapter 2, Article 4: Senate Committees. These changes were initiated by the Senate leadership, and unanimously approved by the Faculty Handbook Review Committee on August 18th, 2021.

Deletion of the Lectures Committee: This was proposed two years ago, but the Senate failed to achieve a 2/3 majority present to vote, and the constitution requires a 2/3 vote for any changes. Because the committee no longer serves any purpose, as the Lectures fund is now administered by the Provost's office, the committee should be deleted from the constitution.

Lectures Committee: The Lectures Committee shall consist of the associate provost or designee serving as chair, three faculty members, one graduate student nominated by the Graduate Student Council, two undergraduate students nominated by the Student Government Association, and program representatives from each of the following: York Lectureship Series, Littleton Franklin Lecture Series, New Horizons/Graduate Student Council Series, Research Week, University Program Council (UPC), Common Book Program, Multicultural Center, and Women's Resource Center. Representatives of other program areas may be recruited as needed/desired. The committee is a companion to the student-run University Program Council and shall augment the instructional programs of the University by supporting speakers of distinctive scholarship and accomplishment of interest to students, faculty, and staff. It will work to coordinate whenever possible the schedules of lecture series and programs across campus in order to maximize promotion of those series/programs and collaboratively utilize limited lecture funds to the greatest benefit of campus