Highlights of Faculty Legislation, 2017-2018

Resolutions, Endorsements and Support

- Resolution Calling for the Creation and Implementation of a Campuswide Climate Action Plan (Fac doc 2699)
- Endorsement of the UW-Madison Policy on Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence (Fac Doc 2709)
- Resolution calling on President Ray Cross to reaffirm a commitment to shared governance (Fac Doc 2734)

Academic department changes

- Arts Institute changed its name to the UW-Madison Division of the Arts (Fac Doc 2714)
- Linguistics Department restructured into the Language Sciences Program. (Fac Doc 2754)

Faculty Policies and Procedures (FPP), new sections and edits to committees

- Chapters 1 and 2 update language (Fac doc 2706)
- Chapter 11 Summer Sessions revised extensively (Fac doc 2707)
- New section establishing the Divisional Committee Review Council (DCRC) (Fac Doc 2715)
- Retirement of the Research, Safety, and Compliance Oversight Committee, rolling its functions into the University Research Council (Fac Doc 2716)
- Rename Legislation II-303 to Protected and Unprotected Expression in a Work-Related Setting (Fac Doc 2708)
- Chapter 4 to clarify and simplify divisional membership, bring in line with practice on some points, and modify practice on other points (Fac Doc 2723)
- Modifications to the charge of the Campus Diversity and Climate Committee (CDCC) (Fac Doc 2728)
- 3.05.H. regarding the role of academic staff on graduate student committees (Fac Doc 2700)
- Advisory Council on Immigration and International Student Issues turned into a standing shared governance committee (Fac Doc 2732)
- Chapter 6 updates and clarifications (Fac Doc 2733)
- A new committee was formed, Committee on Disability Access and Inclusion (CDAI), to address access and accommodation (Fac Doc 2729), and three committees whose charges were made redundant were eliminated (Fac Doc 2740)
- Language added to clarify that all promotion reviews must commence before the 6th year (Fac Doc 2741)

In addition to the legislative actions outlined above, the Faculty Senate heard 24 Memorial Resolutions in tribute to their deceased colleagues, and received 16 regular annual reports from standing committees, as well as the Final Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on 7th-year Reviews (Fac Doc 2741), and the Report of the Tenure Working Group of Madison-Extension Governance Integration Committee (Fac doc 2755). Vacancies were filled by senate confirmation on the Committee on Committees and the University Library Committee.