

**Proposed Revision to  
University Handbook, Section B80-B90  
Proposed by FS Constitution Work Group  
Approved by University Handbook and Policy Committee  
Approved by Faculty Senate on March 8, 2022**

**Rationale:** Revisions to the Faculty Senate Constitution, Appendix E, were approved on September 1, 2021 to include those on term appointments. Therefore, changes were needed to Section B to accurately reflect those.

### **University Governance**

**B80** The faculty and unclassified professionals of Kansas State University elect as ~~their~~ representative body the faculty senate, to ~~facilitate the~~ exercise ~~the~~ powers outlined in the [University Handbook, Appendix E: Constitution of the K-State Faculty Senate](#). ~~The senate is charged to execute the principles of shared governance as articulated by the American Association of University Professors, The primary aim is to~~ facilitate ~~ing faculty and unclassified professionals~~ participation ~~of faculty and unclassified professionals~~ in the establishment of university policies and interpretation of university procedures. The elected president of the faculty senate presides at all faculty senate meetings. Copies of the faculty senate minutes are posted on the [faculty senate webpage](#).

**B81** The faculty senate is the representative body for the faculty and unclassified professionals of the whole university. Each college and each department has its own scheduled faculty meetings and structure for faculty participation. Within smaller units variation in arrangements appears in accordance with needs. The concept of a community of scholars relating to each other as equals applies to Kansas State University in its major functions more accurately than does the concept of hierarchy.

### **[The Faculty Senate](#)**

A copy of the constitution of the K-State Faculty Senate is included as [Appendix E](#).

**B90** The faculty senate is a representative body whose members are elected by [unclassified personnel](#) (["unclassified personnel" as used here and in the constitution refers to](#) faculty and/or unclassified professionals). ~~The faculty senate is composed of distinct caucuses representing various units on campus. The constituent units are the colleges, the Kansas State Research and Extension Services, the libraries, and general university.~~ All unclassified personnel at Kansas State University ~~who do not have on~~ a [regular or term \(non-term temporary\)](#) appointment, are represented in the faculty senate ~~based on the location of their appointment in the university~~ and are eligible for membership except as noted in the faculty senate constitution. ~~Select extension personnel are not represented on faculty senate. Members of the senate are elected to three-year terms. Committees and subcommittees of the senate are~~ important units in the organization and functions of the university. For more information see the [faculty senate website](#).