Instrument for Continuation of Senate Operation through Constitutional Transition

Providing a yes vote by the Senate and a majority of the University’s faculty and professional personnel, this document provides guidance for the continuation of Senate operation and oversight through the period after the full Ball State University Vote at the end of April, 2020 through the election of new Senate leadership at the first Senate meeting in September of 2020.

The current Senate Agenda Committee will serve throughout the summer providing operational management of all Senate business including but not restricted to:

1. Using Human Resources statistics, distribute additional votes to the colleges with the highest numbers of full time faculty members. (Section 9.2.1.3.1 of the 3rd Reading Draft of Proposed Constitution)
2. Write a new Section 10 of the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook. Section 10 of the Handbook clarifies the detail of committee structures as outlined in the Constitution.
3. Set election deadlines for Senate and Council representatives. Provide guidance and instruction to units, colleges, and administrative areas regarding new representation and election model.
4. After representative elections, populate all standing committees using the interest survey provided to all faculty and professional personnel.
5. Create a candidate slate for Senate leadership with the election to be held at the first Senate meeting of the 2020/21 school year.
6. Maintain the standing charge for the Senate Agenda Committee to provide oversight and guidance regarding any Senate business that might arise during the summer months when the Senate is not in session.

This instrument is not to be construed as an acquisition of on-going duties and powers for the Senate Agenda Committee. After the constitutional transition, all duties and powers assigned to the Senate Agenda Committee will come directly from the Constitution and Section 10 of the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook.