**Academic Senate Rules Committee**

**Illinois State University**

**9/10/2025**

**Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 6:01pm

**Attendance:**

* Senator Edgar Chavez
* Senator Zakk Clark
* Senator Ron Guidry
* Senator Tom Hammond
* Senator Neer Jain
* Senator Nesrin Ozalp
* Senator Nevin Shourek
* Senator Rick Valentin
* Ex Officio Todd McLoda

Absences: 0

**Public Speakers:**

* None

**Agenda:**

Introduction

* Introductions around the table
* Meeting invites and team invite sent to everyone

Review Committee Functions

* Follow procedures of academic senate bylaws
* Open meetings act, allow public comments
* Absences, Vacancies, Quorum and voting
* Issuing Agendas
* Detailed Minutes
* Meetings approved by this committee
* Elect chairperson – done
* Review and submit changes to constitution
* Review and submit changes to bylaws
* Review and submit college bylaws changes
* Review and submit graduate college bylaws changes
* Make and submit recommendations on governance
* Perform other tasks assigned by academic senate

Review Issues Pending / Priorities

* Rules Priority Memo (provided on teams)
* COB Bylaws
* Senator Guidry checking with COB regarding bylaws
* Senate action requests
* COE, College of Council, Kim COFA Bylaws will come through
* Taking look at policy, including amorous relations policy and alcohol policy

Athletics Council Bylaws Amendments

* [Athletics Council Bylaws Amendments](https://illinoisstateuniversity.sharepoint.com/:w:/r/sites/RulesCommittee/Shared%20Documents/2025-2026%20Rules%20Committee/SAR177%20Review%20and%20Approval%20of%20Athletics%20Council%20Bylaw%20Updates/Athletics%20Council%20Bylaws%20-%20Markup%20Action.docx?d=w2ffa09b348694929ad0355ee0a4f7af0&csf=1&web=1&e=XdTtza)
* Viewed as information item on 8/27
* Feedback on language changes
* Changes suggested to I D, remove phrase ‘alumnus’ and ‘alumna’
* II Heading ‘Operating procedures’ technical change
* Changes suggested to III A, point 1.
* Senator Hammond:
  + Should they define what a non-athlete is? Esports players are considered as athletes.
  + In committee structure, III B 6, NCAA/ISU manual not provided
  + IV, repetition of lines
* Forward and put friendly amendments
* Motion to approve changes:
  + First: Senator Hammond
  + Second: Senator Shourek
  + Passed

**Adjournment:**

Motion: Senator Hammond

Second: Senator Jain

Meeting adjourned at 6:34 pm