During the 2005-2006 year, the Rules, Jurisdiction, and Elections Committee proposed many minor and conforming changes to the Senate Bylaws (and these changes were approved), and we handled a variety of routine tasks including overseeing the elections to the Faculty Legislature and Committee on Committees. Regarding elections, we ruled that nominations for COC positions had to come from the same academic area as the person nominated. We also ruled that floor nominations had to be accepted in person or by signed memo presented at the meeting of the Faculty Legislature at which such nominations were made.

A substantial new regulation on Student Academic Integrity was proposed by the committee. It was adopted by the Faculty Legislature and is now Regulation 90. This new regulation clarifies faculty responsibilities.

The Committee responded to requests for advice on procedures from Senate President Walter Yuen on various matters.

The Committee also handled requests for interpretation of the Bylaws regarding other matters. One of these matters involved Senate By-Law 55 that guarantees certain departmental voting rights. We advised the faculty member and the relevant Department Chair that By-Law 55 requires accurate and complete reporting of the voting results and procedures in personnel cases.

We advised several Executive Committees regarding changes in their bylaws.

We also offered advice on a variety of minor procedural matters in other cases.

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