NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE

STATUTE 2

THE SENATE AND SENATE DELEGACY

The Senate

1. In addition to the President, who is a member and chairman under the provisions of the Articles of Association, the Senate shall comprise:

   (a) Ex Officio Members
       (i) the Senior Deputy President;
       (ii) the Provost;
       (iii) the Deputy President (Research and Technology);
       (iv) Senior Vice Provosts and Vice Provosts;
       (v) the Deans and Vice Deans or their equivalents of the Faculties or Special Constituent Schools;
       (vi) the Dean or Director/Senior Director of Admissions;
       (vii) the Dean of Students;
       (viii) the Heads of Academic Units;
       (ix) the Directors of Research Institutes;
       (x) all tenured full professors;

   (b) Senate Delegacy Members

       all other members of the Senate Delegacy (defined below) who are not members of the Senate pursuant to sub-clauses (a)(i) to (x) above; and

   (c) Elected Members

       ten other members elected by members of the Senate.

2. Without derogating from the generality of the provisions of the Articles of Association, the powers of the Senate shall be to:

   (a) establish, organise, rename and dissolve Faculties and Academic Units;
   (b) establish, review and discontinue academic programmes;
   (c) regulate the admission of persons to programmes of study and their attendance and continuation at such programmes and examinations;
   (d) appoint and instruct examiners and Boards of Examiners, and oversee examinations;
   (e) award, deprive or revoke degrees, diplomas, certificates, and other marks of distinction;
   (f) establish, review and award bursaries, fellowships, scholarships, prizes, and medals;
(g) subject to the criteria prescribed by Regulations, award honorary degrees and the title of Emeritus Professor after considering reports of the Nominating Committee for Honorary Degrees and Emeritus Professorships;

(h) prescribe the academic dress and degree colours to be worn by graduates from the various programmes of study; and

(i) establish, organise, rename and dissolve Research Institutes.

3. The Senate shall meet regularly, once in each semester, to receive reports from all standing and special committees.

Senate Delegacy

4. For matters requiring the attention of the Senate that arise in between scheduled meetings of the Senate, the Senate shall delegate its powers and duties to the “Senate Delegacy”, which shall comprise:

(a) Ex Officio Members

   (i) the President, who shall chair the Senate Delegacy;
   (ii) the Senior Deputy President;
   (iii) the Provost;
   (iv) the Deans or their equivalent of the Faculties or Special Constituent Schools;

(b) Elected Members

   (i) one member from each Faculty elected by the Vice Deans, Heads of Academic Units, and tenured full professors of the respective Faculty or Special Constituent School from among themselves;
   (ii) fifteen tenured full professors elected by Senate members who are tenured full professors but not Deans, Vice Deans, or Heads of Academic Units from among themselves;
   (iii) ten tenure track faculty members elected from among the University-wide tenure track faculty members who are not Deans, Vice-Deans, Heads of Academic Units, or tenured full professors; and

(c) Appointed Members

no more than twelve other University officers appointed by the President.

5. Every power or duty delegated pursuant to Clause 4 shall continue to be vested in the Senate but shall be so vested concurrently in the Senate Delegacy.

6. The delegation pursuant to Clause 4 shall not remove or derogate from the responsibility of the Senate for the exercise or performance of the powers and duties thereby delegated.

7. All actions and decisions of the Senate Delegacy shall have full effect unless overridden by a special meeting of the Senate within fourteen Days of the posting of the relevant Senate Delegacy minutes or circular.
Terms of Office

8. The terms of office of members of the Senate and Senate Delegacy shall be as follows:

(a) Ex officio members shall remain members only for so long as they hold the offices by virtue of which they became members.

(b) Elected members shall remain members for up to two academic years, and may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

(c) Appointed members shall remain members for such period as the President may determine.

(d) No person shall be a member of the Senate Delegacy under more than one limb of Clauses 4(a) to 4(c).

9. Where a casual vacancy among the elected or appointed members of the Senate or Senate Delegacy (as the case may be) should arise due to a member’s termination of office or University service, leave of absence, incapacity, or any other reason, that vacancy shall be filled respectively by election or appointment of a member in place of the vacating member in accordance with the relevant provisions of Clauses 1 and 4. A new elected member shall serve the remaining term of the vacating member.

Regulations

10. The President is empowered to make Regulations governing the provision of notice for meetings of committees and boards appointed by the Senate.