

D R A K E U N I V E R S I T Y
FACULTY SENATE MEETING AGENDA

The Drake University Faculty Senate will meet in regular session on
April 15, 2009 in Levitt Hall, Old Main at 3:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of March 2009 minutes
4. Report from President Maxwell

NOTE: If any Senator would like to submit a question for President Maxwell for the meeting, please email that question to President Sanders (arthur.sanders@drake.edu) and/or President Maxwell (david.maxwell@drake.edu)

5. Report from Provost Troyer
6. Report from President Sanders
7. Unfinished Business none
8. New Business

Motion to update the committee description and membership for IACUC
Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

Rationale: Federal regulations regarding procedures for animal research on campus, in particular, the rules and regulations governing the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) have changed. In order to bring Drake in compliance with these regulations, there needs to be changes to the procedures used to select members of that committee, and also to insure the mix of people on the committee meets federal standards. The proposed change also balances those goals with the goal of maintaining our commitment to faculty governance.

Current Committee description

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

(nine members, three-year terms)

This Committee is responsible for overseeing the institution's animal program, facilities and procedures. The Committee will include at least three Drake faculty members actively involved in animal use for research or teaching. The Chair will be a faculty member appointed by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. The Committee will also include one member not affiliated with the institution in any way other than as a member of the IACUC. This person will not be a member of the immediate family of a person who is affiliated and is expected to represent general community interests in the proper care and use of animals and should not be a laboratory animal user. Also included will be one member from the faculty or staff from a non-scientific area, one Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and the Drake University Animal Vivarian (caretaker). The Veterinarian and Vivarian are permanent members of the Committee, and the others are appointed to staggered two-year terms.

Proposed Committee description

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

(At least 7 members, two-year terms):

This Committee is responsible for overseeing the institution's animal program, facilities and procedures. Members should have the professional competence and knowledge necessary to review and evaluate research proposals to determine compliance with federal standards and Drake University guidelines, and to evaluate proposed research in terms of institutional commitments and regulations, applicable law, and standards of professional competence and practice.

The Committee shall consist of at least seven members, and shall meet the following specifications: 1 veterinarian (Doctor of Veterinarian Medicine), 1 member unaffiliated with the institution, one designee from the Office of the Provost who shall serve ex-officio, and at least four faculty members, at least three of whom shall be tenured; the faculty members will include at least one who has primary expertise in a nonscientific area and at least three experienced in animal research. The person unaffiliated with the institution will also not be a member of the immediate family of a person who is affiliated and is expected to represent general community interests in the proper care and use of animals and should not be a laboratory animal user.

All members of the Committee are appointed by the President. The Office of the Provost will make recommendations to the President for the positions held by the veterinarian, the member unaffiliated with the institution, and the designee from the Office of the Provost. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee will make recommendations to the President for the positions held by members of the faculty.

The chair of the Committee, who will serve a two-year term, will be selected from the tenured faculty by the President upon recommendation of the Provost. A vice-chair will be chosen each year by the committee to serve as chair when necessary, including situations in which the chair must step down due to conflict of interest.

All members serve two-year staggered terms. Reappointment is permitted and unlimited. The Drake Animal Vivarian (caretaker) will also serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the committee.

9. Adjournment