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During the 2012-2013 academic year, the Organization Committee continued its work in arbitrating questions regarding the Faculty Bylaws, certifying election processes, and reviewing and responding to faculty inquiries.

The following is a list of actions the committee took this academic year.

1. Generated a list of candidates for presidential appointment to the Strategic Planning Task Force
2. Certified the name change process from *Women's Studies* to *Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies*
3. Reviewed CRAL bylaw proposal to remove Professional Faculty from the committee. Approved motion to bring this issue to Executive Committee as part of a larger conversation regarding streamlining faculty governance
4. Certified election of the Liberal Education Committee
5. Approved plan for the review of Deans and Administrative Faculty in consultation with the Provost
6. Certified election of Professional Faculty to CRAL to decide Chancellor's Award for Excellence
7. Approved motion to communicate election results directly to Division Chairs, Presiding Officer, and relevant chairs of Central Committees
8. Certified elections by divisions to Central Committees

### Future Plans

1. Governance Vacancies
  - a. CAS. An election will be called in Fall 2013 to fill this (one-year term) position.
  - b. Central Committees. An election will be called in Fall 2013 for candidates to fill current vacancies. Human Resources will be asked for an updated voting list in early September.
2. Preparation of bylaw proposal to streamline faculty governance
3. Meeting with Provost to clarify service expectations for tenure-track academic faculty across the disciplines
4. Proposal for bylaw change regarding the presence of untenured academic faculty serving on Departmental RTP subcommittees
5. Examination of continuing difficulty in encouraging and appropriately valuing service in faculty governance
6. Improvement in regular and consistent communication of activities, plans and membership of all Central Committees via new faculty governance website.

**Motion from the Organization Committee**

**(to be submitted at initial Senate meeting, Fall 2013)**

FACT 2 Advisory Council is a SUNY-wide committee whose purpose is to:

- Improve the expertise and learning environment of faculty and instructional support staff.
  - Enhance the teaching and learning process through the use of technology.
  - Increase networking, collaboration, and sharing of best practices.
  - Advocate for appropriately designed and equipped learning spaces.
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- Whereas the FACT 2 role in decision-making for utilization of technology impacts faculty and students across disciplines and campuses and,
  - Whereas currently, representation on FACT 2 is via appointment by the senior executive campus leadership,
  - Therefore, be it resolved, that the Faculty of the College at New Paltz calls for Professional and Academic Faculty representation on FACT 2 to be part of the campus-wide elections.

The Organization Committee welcomes suggestions for bylaw changes/amendments from all Professional and Academic Faculty, and especially encourages ideas for streamlining governance.

Respectfully Submitted,

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