SP.20.07 Revision to the Bylaws, Part B.11 (Senate Committees), Part E (Governing and Advisory Bodies), and Part F (Senate Representatives to Other Bodies)

BACKGROUND
Responding to Recommendation #8 of the Report of the Eighth Senate Review Commission (XSR.19.01), both the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) and Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures (SP) considered the presentation of Part E (Governing and Advisory Bodies) and Part F (Senate Representatives to Other Bodies) of the Bylaws.

The Review Commission recommended that “the SEC work with the appropriate University office for each governing/advisory body listed” in Parts E and F to determine if any body in Part E might be “considered a Senate committee,” and the “relationship of each of these bodies to the Senate” for those listed in Part F. For both Parts E and F, the Commission recommended the SEC determine “who each body is staffed by” and “who is responsible for overseeing the duties/charges for each body.” The SEC directed SP to explore the substantive issues raised by these questions, which SP determined were far beyond its charge and returned the matter to the SEC. The SEC declined to pursue any additional action on these matters.

The Review Commission further recommended that “once these determinations are made for both Part E and Part F, appropriate revisions to the Bylaws should be made to clarify the bodies’ role within the Senate or to clarify the Senate’s relationship within non-Senate bodies.” SP thus proposes adding language to the Bylaws, Part B, which would clarify the relationship of the bodies itemized in Parts E and F to the Senate. Further, SP recommends consolidating Parts E and F under a new title, retaining the current F.5 under Part G. General Provisions, which will become Part F.

RECOMMENDATION
The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures recommends the approval of the following revisions to the Bylaws. Text to be deleted is struck through and text to be added is underlined. Adoption of amendments to the Bylaws requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate.

REVISION TO THE BYLAWS, PARTS B.11, E AND F

1 Part B – Senate Committees
11. In addition to the Senate’s standing and ad hoc committees, the Senate interacts with governance, advisory, and other bodies internal and external to the University, specified in the Bylaws, Part E. These bodies are not committees of the Senate and may be governed by additional policies beyond those contained in these Bylaws.

Part E – Governing and Advisory Bodies Governance, Advisory, and Other Bodies

1. Athletic Board
2. Faculty Advisory Committee
3. General Education Board
4. Joint Advisory Committee on Investment, Licensing, and Naming Rights
5. State Universities Retirement System Members Advisory Committee
6. Faculty Advisory Council of the Illinois Board of Higher Education
7. Military Education Council
8. Research Policy Committee

Combine and renumber Parts E and F. Change Part G to Part F.

The current F.5, Appointment and Formal Review of the Chancellor, will be retained as F.6.

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