

To: The University Senate
From: University Senate Steering Committee
Subject: Reapportionment of the University Senate
Reference: University Senate Document 90-5; University Senate Document 90-6; University Senate Document 21-15; University Senate Document 24-13, University Code D 3.00; Bylaws of the University Senate, Items 2.00 and 2.01
Disposition: University Senate for Approval and Faculty Units
Proposal: Reapportionment of the Senate for AY 2026-2027 as indicated below.
Proposed Action: Section D 3.00 of the University Code and the Bylaws of the University Senate provide that the University Senate shall be composed of one hundred six members. Thirteen of these are specified in items 1 through 12 below. The remaining 93 slots will be apportioned among the West Lafayette faculty units, according to the number of faculty members, with the provision that no faculty unit shall have fewer than two Senators.

There are 2399 voting faculty members at the West Lafayette campus. When this number is divided by 93 the result is 25.80.

Therefore, to qualify for two Senators, a faculty unit should have at least 52 ($25.8 \times 2 = 51.6$, rounded up to 52) voting faculty members. However, since no faculty unit can have fewer than two Senators, the Libraries unit with 41 faculty members qualifies for two Senators, as does the Honors unit with 17 faculty members. These two units combine for four Senators leaving 89 Senate seats remaining to be apportioned.

The remaining faculty units have a total of 2,341 voting faculty members with 89 Senate seats remaining to be apportioned among them. The apportionment of Senators for each of these remaining units was obtained by dividing the number of voting faculty in the faculty unit by 26.30 ($2,341 \div 89 = 26.30$). The results are as follows: Agriculture, 10.72; Daniels School of Business, 6.20; Education, 2.78; Engineering, 18.10; Health & Human Sciences, 9.92; Liberal Arts, 11.71; Pharmacy, 3.12; Science, 14.60; Purdue Polytechnic Institute, 7.87; Veterinary Medicine, 3.99.

To achieve the desired 89 Senators, the College of Science was closest to being below 0.50 and thus was assigned a value of 14 Senators. The remaining units were rounded to the nearest integer. The results appear in the table below.

Areas Represented	No. Voting Faculty Members 18 November 2024	Number of Senators 2025-26	No. Voting Faculty Members 17 November 2025	Number of Senators 2026-27
1. President		1		1
2. Chief Academic Officer		1		1
3. Chief Fiscal Officer		1		1
4. Chair of the Senate		1		1
5. Vice-Chair of the Senate		1		1
6. Purdue Northwest		1		1
7. Purdue Fort Wayne		1		1
8. CSSAC		NA		1
9. MaPSAC		NA		1
10. Purdue Indianapolis		2		2
11. Undergraduate Student		1		1
12. Graduate Student		1		1
13. Faculty Units				
<i>Agriculture</i>	292	11	282	11
<i>Daniels School</i>	155	6	163	6
<i>Education</i>	74	3	73	3
<i>Engineering</i>	487	18	476	18
<i>Health & Human Sciences</i>	260	10	261	10
<i>Honors</i>	17	2	17	2
<i>Liberal Arts</i>	318	12	308	12
<i>Libraries</i>	40	2	41	2
<i>Pharmacy</i>	82	3	82	3
<i>Science</i>	379	14	384	14
<i>Purdue Polytechnic</i>	222	8	207	8
<i>Veterinary Medicine</i>	113	4	105	4
TOTAL:	2480	104	2399	106

Committee Votes

For:

Against:

Abstained:

Absent:

Ximena Bernal
David Blon
Amanda Darbyshire
Lisa Bosman
Jim Dworkin
Katie Jarriel
David Liu
Stephen Martin
Julio Ramirez
Torbert Rocheford
Mark Zimpfer

none