

# SENATE RULE 1: THE SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## 1.01 Composition and Powers of the Senate Executive Committee

The Senate Executive Committee shall be comprised of:

- A. The Office of the Senate President
  1. The Senate President, who shall serve as Chair, shall have voting and debating privileges and shall count as one (1) towards quorum.
  2. The Internal and External Legislative Assistants shall have voting and debating privileges and shall count towards a quorum.
  3. In the event, the Senate President is not present, either the Internal or External Legislative Assistant must be present for the Office of the Senate President to count towards a quorum.
- B. The Office of the Senate President Pro Tempore
  1. The Senate President Pro Tempore, who shall serve as Vice-Chair, shall have voting and debating privileges and shall count as one (1) towards a quorum.
  2. The Deputy Pro Tempore of Legislative Affairs and the Deputy Pro Tempore of Senate Relations shall have voting and debating privileges and shall count towards a quorum.
  3. In the event, the Senate President Pro Tempore is not present, either the Deputy Pro Tempore of Legislative Affairs or the Deputy Pro Tempore of Senate Relations must be present for the Office of the President Pro Tempore to count towards a quorum and shall serve as vice-chair.
- C. Standing and Ad Hoc Committee, and Caucus Chairs
  1. Standing Committee Chairs shall have voting and debating privileges and shall count as one (1) for quorum purposes.
  2. Ad Hoc Committee and Caucus Chairs shall have debating, but no voting privileges and shall not count towards or against a quorum.
- D. Standing and Ad Hoc Committee, and Caucus Vice Chairs
  1. Standing Committee Vice Chairs shall have voting and debating privileges. They shall also count as one (1) for quorum purposes.
  2. Ad Hoc Committee and Caucus Vice Chairs shall have debating, but not voting, privileges and shall not count towards or against quorum.

## 1.02 Roles and Responsibilities of the Senate Executive Committee

The Senate Executive Committee shall

- A. Conduct meetings as called by Senate President, the Senate President Pro Tempore, or by a majority vote of the Senate Executive Committee.
- B. Represent the Student Body Senate in times of crisis.
- C. Present and argue the views of the Student Body Senate, as expressed by Resolutions.
- D. Facilitate communication between the officers of the Student Body Senate.
- E. Serve as an appellate avenue for Senate Business, as provided by the Senate Rules.

## 1.03 Senate Executive Committee Attendance

- A. If a member of the Senate Executive Committee is unable to attend a meeting of the Committee, they shall be responsible for notifying the Senate President and Senate President Pro Tempore in writing prior to the start of the Senate Executive Committee meeting that they will be absent for.

**1.04 Standing Rules of the Senate Executive Committee**

- A. In the instance where multiple positions within the Senate Executive Committee are filled by the same individual:
  - a. An individual shall count as one (1) towards the total quorum, regardless of the number of seats they hold.
  - b. If an individual holds multiple seats with voting privileges, they shall only receive one (1) vote.

**HISTORY:**

Res 13-03 (02/03/1981) Bill 16-05 (10/25/1983) Res 17-21 (02/19/1985) Res 19-11 (01/08/1987)  
Res 26-14 (03/31/1994) Res 26-12 (03/31/1994) Res 33-01 (01/25/2001) Res 34-22 (11/15/2001)  
Res 36-10 (01/29/2004) Res 38-03 (11/18/2005) Res 38-07 (02/02/2006) Res 40-30 (09/11/2008)  
Res 41-18 (02/19/2009) Res 45-28 (08/22/2013) Res 47-30 (07/23/2015) Res 50-18 (01/25/2018)  
Res 50-61 (09/20/2018) Res 50-62 (09/27/2018) Res 51-52 (07/25/2019) Res 52-02 (01/19/2020)  
Res 52-42 (08/05/2020) Res 53-17 (10/12/2021)