
Proposal to Create *Faculty Policies and Procedures 4.40.*
Divisional Committee Review Council

The new campus post-tenure review (PTR) policy provides for a faculty-driven process starting in the department and proceeding to the dean. If the dean and department are in agreement, the PTR process concludes for that cycle. If the dean and department disagree, the provost performs a review, which must include consultation with a faculty committee called the “divisional committee review council.”

7.17. POST-TENURE REVIEW POLICY

C. Procedures

7. If the post-tenure review is not concluded at the dean’s level per 6.a. or 6.b. above, upon receipt of the dean’s recommendation, the provost will perform their own review, including consultation with the divisional committee review council (DCRC), which also will be provided with the executive committee recommendation, the dean’s recommendation, and any faculty responses. The provost shall request advice from the DCRC within 5 days of receiving the dean’s recommendation and the council will provide their advice within 30 days of receiving the request from the provost.

The provost has indicated that this committee could be helpful with providing faculty perspective on other tenure-related activities. The DCRC would provide a purely advisory role and would not interfere with or add layers to the tenure and promotion process. In order to meet the needs of the PTR policy and to provide the faculty input requested by the provost on other tenure matters, the following is proposed.

[ADD/NEW] FPP 4.40. DIVISIONAL COMMITTEE REVIEW COUNCIL

A. Membership

The Divisional Committee Review Council (DCRC) shall consist of four faculty members, one from each faculty division, selected by the relevant divisional executive committee in April or May of each year to serve on the DCRC the following year. Anyone who has completed a full term on the divisional committee is eligible for selection. The DCRC shall select its own chair, except when the DCRC is consulted under section 7.17.C.7., in which case it shall be chaired for the purposes of that consultation by the member from the same division as the post-tenure review case.

In PTR cases (under 7.17.C.7.) where a member of the committee is from the same department as the individual being reviewed, the committee member is disqualified from participation and the University Committee shall select a replacement for the duration of that case from among members of past divisional executive committees. Any such disqualification does not create a vacancy on the committee, but the replacement member shall sit on the committee until termination of the case.

B. Functions

The DCRC serves as a consultative resource to the provost on matters relating to tenure, including promotion review and post-tenure review (under section 7.17.C.7.).

[MODIFY] 6.12. APPEAL FROM AND REVIEW OF COMMITTEE DECISIONS.

D. The provisions of 6.12.A., 6.12.B. and 6.12.C. do not apply to actions taken by the following committees: Committee on Committees, Divisional Committee Review Council, Faculty Rights and Responsibilities, Consultative Committee on Financial Emergency, Honorary Degrees, Kemper Knapp Bequest, Lectures, Search and Screen, and University Press.