

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Amendment to Chapter 6.3 – Special Meetings

To the Academic Senate, Santa Cruz Division:

In its review of the Committee on Rules, Jurisdiction and Elections' proposed changes to Bylaw 8.4.1, the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) noted an inconsistency in the number of petitioners necessary to call for a mail ballot (25) and those necessary to call for a Special Meeting (10) and recommends that the number be increased to twenty five. The very low number (10) to call for a Special Meeting was established in the 1960's at a time when 10 senators constituted a more significant fraction of the faculty. SEC endorses the principle that a small number of faculty should have means to call for a special meeting, but the current number of 10 is outdated and seems artificially low.

Current wording

Proposed wording

<p>6.3 Special Meetings A Special Meeting of the Santa Cruz Division may be held on any day of instruction in the fall, winter, or spring quarter, and may be called by the President of the Academic Senate or by the Chair of the Santa Cruz Division. Upon written request of ten voting members, a meeting shall be called within fourteen calendar days by the Chair of the Division. If the request is received within less than fourteen calendar days before the end of the quarter, the meeting will be called within the first seven calendar days of the next fall, winter, or spring quarter.</p>	<p>6.3 Special Meetings A Special Meeting of the Santa Cruz Division may be held on any day of instruction in the fall, winter, or spring quarter, and may be called by the President of the Academic Senate or by the Chair of the Santa Cruz Division. Upon written request of ten twenty five voting members except as provided for in SB 75.B, a meeting shall be called within fourteen calendar days by the Chair of the Division. If the request is received within less than fourteen calendar days before the end of the quarter, the meeting will be called within the first seven calendar days of the next fall, winter, or spring quarter.</p>
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The Senate Bylaw 75 Petition for Reconsideration and Referendum addresses reconsideration of actions taken by the UC Academic Assembly and can be viewed at:

<http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/senate/manual/blpart1.html#bl75>

Respectfully submitted,

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