

University Senate Votes 2008-09

VOTES	STATUS
31-Oct-08	
Vote 2009-01: Granting the degree of Doctor of Medicine Ramzi Melhem (ID 20020099) who recently completed the requirements. The motion was carried unanimously.	implemented
Vote 2009-02: The following senators were elected to the Senate Steering Committee: FAFS: R. Zurayk FAS: A. Abdul-Rahman FEA: A. Abdul-Malak FHS: M. Jurdi FM: S. Arnaout OSB: K. Hindi The president said that he would make his own appointment after consideration. The election was approved unanimously.	implemented
Vote 2009-03: The following senators were elected to vacancies in the Senate Committee on Faculty Affairs: FAFS: F. Sleiman FEA: A. Kayssi FHS: J. DeJong FM: R. Khauli At-large: S. Seikaly The election was approved unanimously.	implemented
28-Nov-08	
Vote 2009-04: to approve the 2009-10 university calendar with one editorial addition. The motion was carried unanimously.	implemented
Vote 2009-05: to grant degrees to the October 2008 graduates as listed by the Registrar's Office and presented by the respective Deans. The motion was carried unanimously.	implemented
Vote 2009-06: to grant the degree of BA with distinction to Leila Kamel Muakkassa Khaireddine. The motion was carried unanimously.	implemented
Vote 2009-07: that the new committee bylaws in FAS be approved as presented. The motion was carried (for 14, number of voting members present 21).	implemented
9-Jan-09	
Motion withdrawn: that the new faculty bylaws of FEA be approved as presented. After considerable discussion President Dorman ruled that the best way to proceed towards unified faculty bylaws would be for each faculty to submit its proposed amendments to the provost's office for further action, as originally envisaged.	no action required

30-Jan-09	
Vote 2009-08: to approve, on Dean Cortas' recommendation, granting the degree of Doctor of Medicine to Fadi Kaddoura. The motion was carried unanimously.	implemented
Vote 2009-09: that the draft policy on sick leave for academics: That be referred to the Senate Committee on Faculty Affairs.	implemented: see vote 2009-29
Vote 2009-10: on the motion referred to in vote 2009-11: The motion to table was defeated (for 6, voting members present 26).	no action required
Vote 2009-11: the senate undertakes to address the issues raised and recommendations made in the self-study report in relation to the role of the Senate. The senate further instructs the Senate Steering Committee to prioritize the issues to be discussed and place them on the agenda of future meetings. The motion passed by a clear majority. [Substitute motion to original motion: removing reference to "Chapter 3" of the self-study report.]	open: further action required by SSC and Senate
27-Feb-09	
Vote 2009-12 on the motion referred to in vote 2009-13: the motion of amendment to drop the word "normally" was approved by a clear majority	implemented
Vote 2009-13: that the title of preceptor associate be approved, without the word "normally": This title is granted to current practitioners who are expected to supervise students in their practicum/internship in conjunction with a faculty member, on a non-remunerated basis. They should preferably have a Masters degree or higher or have a BA/BS degree and extensive professional experience. They should normally have a proven record of service as preceptor. Candidates are recommended by the Coordinator of the Program, and approved by the Chair (when applicable) and by the Dean/Director after consultation with the Advisory Committee. The title is for a limited period not to exceed one year, subject to renewal following appropriate assessment of performance and/or need. Preceptor Associates are not eligible for AUB benefits. The motion was carried unanimously.	action taken: approved by BOT
27-Mar-09	
[no vote number]: motions to approve the granting of degrees to those named in the registrar's list of February 2009 were passed unanimously.	implemented
Vote 2009-14: that the proposed amendment to the Student Code of Conduct be referred back to the University Library Committee for reconsideration in the light of the senate's recommendations. The motion was carried by a clear majority (voting members present 30).	implemented: see vote 2009-21
Vote 2009-15: that the new four-year undergraduate program in Nutrition and Dietetics be approved as circulated. The motion was carried (21 for, voting members present 25).	implemented: approved by BOT
Vote 2009-16: that the new undergraduate program in Applied Mathematics be	implemented:

approved as circulated. The motion was carried unanimously.	approved by BOT
Vote 2009-17: to postpone discussion on HIP until the next regular meeting of the senate. The motion was carried unanimously.	no action required
24-Apr-09	
Vote 2009-18: that an Ad-Hoc Committee be formed to look into the possibility of in-house policy and management of HIP, reporting to the President. The motion was carried unanimously.	Implemented (HIP reports to HR)
Vote 2009-19: that those listed in the unified faculty by-laws as officers be listed in the catalogue of each faculty as Officers, while other administrative officers of each faculty be listed in the catalogue separately. The motion was carried (18 for, voting members present 20).	action taken: Faculties informed to make chg.
29-May-09	
Vote 2009-20: A postdoctoral fellow is a temporary position held by a person who has completed his or her doctoral studies. Postdoctoral positions are normally given for a period of one semester or one year, renewable for up to five years, are dedicated to research and/or post-doctoral training, and paid for from research or soft funds. The motion was carried (23 for, voting members present 30).	implemented: approved by BOT
Vote 2009-21: to adopt Dean Bitar's suggestion of adding a subsection to clause II.B of the Student Code of Conduct as well as revising clause I.B.11, which would now read: "11. Inappropriate Conduct in the AUB libraries: Any action that impedes the safe and efficient use by all patrons of the AUB libraries is prohibited (refer to the <u>University Policy on Appropriate Conduct in Libraries</u>)." The motion was carried unanimously.	implemented
Vote 2009-22: 1. Students with a minimum standardized school grade of 520 out of 800 qualify for admission to the UPP. 2. The total number of UPP students in any academic year should not exceed 50 students. 3. The success in the UPP year as measured by AUB administered exams would assure admission to the freshman program upon meeting the English language proficiency requirement. The motion was carried by a clear majority.	implemented
Vote 2009-23: Upon the recommendation of the Board of Graduate Studies, the Senate approves changing the foundation period of the MBA to an intensive orientation period, as proposed by the OSB. The motion was carried unanimously.	implemented: approved by BOT
5-Jun-09	
Vote 2009-24: that the title of the undergraduate program in FHS be changed from "Medical Laboratory Technology" to "Medical Laboratory Sciences", effective 1st October 2009. The motion was carried unanimously.	implemented: approved by BOT

Vote 2009-25: to approve granting the degree of Doctor of Medicine to the 70 candidates listed in the memo presented by Dean Cortas dated 5 June 2009.	implemented
Vote 2009-26: to approve granting the degree of Doctor of Medicine with distinction to the eight candidates on the same list against whose name appears the letter D.	implemented
Vote 2009-27: to grant Maria Abboud (ID: 200601170) the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration with distinction. The motion was carried unanimously.	implemented
Vote 2009-28: to approve the revised 2009-10 academic calendar. The motion was carried unanimously	implemented
Vote 2009-29: with regard to the draft policy under consideration [sick leave for academics] the senate approve the following changes; a. Under Sick Leave Schedule to substitute "... if employed less than three years" with "... if employed less than or equal to one year." In the same item to substitute "... if employed for three years or more", with "... if employed for more than one year". b. Under Duration of Employment to substitute < 3 years with "less than or equal to 1 year" and > 3 years with "greater than 1 year". c. Under Physician's Statement to substitute "... more than three (3) working days" with "... more than five (5) working days." Under the same item to delete the phrase "or some written statement of the facts concerning the illness." The motion was carried (19 for, voting members present 24).	open: taken under advisement by University administration
Vote 2009-30: a substitute motion to approve the first part of the original motion: changes to Section Eight of the General Provisions of the Regulations of the Health Insurance Plan Applicable to Academic Personnel, as revised in 1998: a. In item 7 substitute "... such coverage is applicable only if the husband and wife are members" with "... only if the woman is a member". The substitute motion to approve was carried unanimously (vote 2009-29). The second part of the original motion was withdrawn: b. Deletion of item 8 which stipulates that "Once maternity insurance is discontinued by a subscriber for any reason, maternity coverage cannot be reinstated".	a: implemented as of 2014 b. implemented: new HIP policy includes maternity coverage at no extra cost and no separate subscription
Vote 2009-31: that FEA membership on the Board of Graduate Studies be increased from one to two. The motion was carried (for 13, voting members present 23).	implemented
24-Jun-09	
Vote 2009-32: to establish an ad hoc committee on teaching effectiveness with the mission to develop teaching evaluation criteria and processes based on the 2006-07 FAS report on teaching effectiveness and other documents. The motion was carried unanimously (voting members present 21).	open: further action required by Senate (no committee formed)

END 2008-09