

May 14, 2019

Kristin Lagattuta, Chair
Davis Division of the Academic Senate

Re: CERJ Advice: Question regarding Voting Rights

Dear Chair Lagattuta,

In response to an inquiry from the Department of History, the Davis Division Committee on Elections, Rules and Jurisdiction has determined the following and sent a revised response to the Department of History Chair on May 14, 2019:

The CERJ has determined that there is no reference in the [Davis Division Bylaws](#) or the systemwide [Academic Senate Bylaws](#) (ASB) that restricts the organization, composition or actions of departmental committees, as long as their reports or recommendations are strictly advisory, and the actual voting on personnel actions rests with the faculty, in accordance with [Senate Bylaw 55](#). The creation of such committees, the nature of their advisory role (e.g., whether such committees are tasked with simply evaluating and summarizing the various components of personnel actions or to further make actual recommendations) and their composition is thus at the discretion of the department.

Sincerely,



Hans-Georg Mueller, Chair
Committee on Elections, Rules and Jurisdiction

Cc: Edwin Arevalo, Executive Director, Davis Division of the Academic Senate