

Regents-Faculty Conference Committee (from the St. Olaf College Faculty Manual)

1. The purpose of the conference committee shall be to provide a way by which, on a regular basis, representatives of the Board of Regents and the faculty may discuss together matters of mutual concern regarding the College. The conference committee does not replace other faculty, administration, or Board functions and prerogatives. It does not legislate or otherwise determine college policy. It may, as a result of its deliberations, direct recommendations either to the faculty or to the Board for consideration and action.
2. The ground rules which govern the work of the conference committee include:
 - a. The conference committee shall ordinarily meet three times a year. It may meet more or less frequently by common consent.
 - b. The conference committee shall meet at the call of the Chair or Vice Chair of the Board of Regents, who shall act as chair of the conference committee or shall designate another member of the conference committee as chair.
 - c. The conference committee shall choose its own recorder who shall, as directed by the conference committee:
 - d. keep records of committee deliberations.
 - e. communicate to the faculty or the Board.
 - f. Topics for discussion at conference committee meetings will normally be announced to members before the meeting either by the chair of the conference committee or by the President.
3. Personnel:
 - a. Five members of the Board of Regents elected annually by the Board and including Chair or Vice Chair of the Board and the President
 - b. Five faculty representatives, one from each of the Faculties, elected by the faculty as a whole
 - c. The Faculty Observer to the Board of Regents
 - d. The Observer-elect
4. Term of Office:
 - a. The term of office of the faculty representatives shall be two years. The terms shall be staggered.
 - b. The Observer-elect to the Board of Regents shall serve a one-year term as an at-large member of the committee prior to the year's service as Observer.