



To: Faculty Senate Steering Committee
Date: October 15, 2026
From: Faculty Senate Faculty Affairs Committee Chair, Shawna Herzog
RE: *Faculty Manual Section III.D.10 Salary – Alternative Allocation*

The Faculty Affairs Committee proposes extending the response window for the Faculty Senate to advise the President on alternative salary fund allocations from fourteen (14) to fifteen (15) business days.

After consultation with the WSU Attorney General Office, it is recommended to use periods of time under 30 days should be listed as business days (the days that university is open for business). And the Faculty Senate previously asked that we extend a particular timeframe from 14 business days to 15 business days so it is typically three weeks (rather than three weeks less a day). This amendment standardizes response timelines across the manual and maintains WSU nomenclature.

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