

Chairs Council Committee Norms

- We will start and end meetings on time;
- We will follow agenda;
- We will read materials, minutes, etc. and be prepared to discuss at meetings;
- We will listen to our colleagues without interruption and will show mutual respect;
- We will operate on consensus and seek agreements all can “live with;”
- We will make decisions based on clear information;
- We will bring closure to decisions;
- We will support committee recommendations;
- We will accept the fact that there will be differing in opinion;
- We will use the best interest of our stakeholders (especially faculty and students) as the basis for our decision making;
- We will honor brainstorming without being attached to our viewpoint;
- We will give the opportunity for all members to contribute;
- We will be free to speak our minds without fear of reprisal;
- We will be transparent with our colleagues and our positions on issues;
- We will identify pending issues, agreements, and action steps at the end of the meetings;
- We will stay focused on topics under our scope of action;
- We will take recommendations from Academic Senate and report back;
- We will follow the Brown Act;
- We will follow through with deadlines.