Revision to the Indiana University Bloomington Search and Screen Procedures for Campus Administrators
The Bloomington Faculty Council revised the Indiana University Bloomington Search and Screen Procedures for Campus Administrators in order to address current needs and structure. The revised policy outlines what search committees must do: have a substantial faculty membership, advance university diversity policies, advertise all administrative vacancies to the faculty as a whole, place significant value on candidates’ academic experience, and hold a public event at which faculty can meet the finalists and provide feedback.
-Adopted September 6, 2016
Read the updated policy

Amendment to Bloomington Faculty Council Bylaw 8: Liaisons to School Policy Committees
The Bloomington Faculty Council made changes to clarify language in Bloomington Faculty Council Bylaw 8 regarding the process of designating liaisons between school policy committees and the Bloomington Faculty Council.
-Adopted November 1, 2016
Read the updated Bylaws

Revision of the Indiana University Bloomington Statement on Diversity
The Bloomington Faculty Council updated the Indiana University Bloomington Statement on Diversity to further define and explain diversity and its relevance to the Bloomington campus.
-Approved January 17, 2017
Read the statement

Resolution on Campus Climate, Civility, and Inclusion
The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted a resolution stating the faculty’s commitment to defending all members of the Indiana University Bloomington community from hate, aggression, and intimidation. The resolution reaffirmed the faculty’s commitment to Indiana University Bloomington as a place of safety, diversity, tolerance, and respect.
-Adopted January 17, 2017
Read the resolution

Resolution in Response to President Trump’s Immigration Order of January 27, 2017
The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted a resolution in response to an Executive Order banning travelers, immigration, and refugees from certain countries. The Council charged Deans, Chairs, and faculty members to allow whatever accommodations necessary to ensure there is no lasting negative impact on students and academic appointees as a result of this Executive Order. The Educational Policies Committee and the Faculty Affairs Committee were tasked with translating this resolution into policy.
-Adopted January 31, 2017
Read the resolution

Open Access Policy
The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted a new policy to ensure that research articles authored by Indiana University Bloomington faculty be made available to the public at no charge. The policy applies to all scholarly articles authored or co-authored while the person is a member of the faculty, except for any articles completed before the adoption of this policy. Faculty members can waive application of the policy for a particular article or delay access for a specified period of time. The policy calls for a review in three years.
-Adopted February 21, 2017
Read the policy
Policy on Minimum Qualifications for Instructional Appointees
The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted a new policy which creates a campus standard and sets common expectations for the appointment of all instructors teaching courses for academic credit at Indiana University Bloomington.

-Adopted February 21, 2017
Read the policy

Faculty Accommodations in Response to Government Action Policy
The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted a new policy requiring department chairs and deans to make all reasonable accommodations to alleviate any negative impact on the progress toward tenure, promotion, and/or reappointment of academic appointees who are directly affected by government actions.

-Adopted February 21, 2017
Read the policy

Student Accommodations in Response to Government Action Policy
The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted a new policy which encourages administrators to use their discretionary authority to provide accommodations for students in instances where government actions have prevented them from completing academic requirements.

-Adopted February 21, 2017
Read the policy

Revisions to the Undergraduate Admissions policy
The Bloomington Faculty Council revised the Undergraduate Admissions policy in order to make minor clarifications and simplify footnotes. The updated policy references newer high school competency tests and clarifies the definition of a transfer student and how credits, especially those through Advanced Placement courses and Advanced College Project classes, count toward a student’s status as an incoming undergraduate. The policy must be reviewed every three years by the Educational Policies Committee.

-Approved March 21, 2017
Read the updated policy

Revisions to the Student Academic Appointee Mediation Committee Policy and Procedures
The Bloomington Faculty Council revised the Student Academic Appointee Mediation Committee policy and procedures in order to address procedural needs that arose after the Student Academic Appointee Mediation Committee was dissolved. The updated policy replaces references to the Student Academic Appointee Mediation Committee with a Mediation Panel which is composed of members of the BFC Student Affairs Committee and graduate students appointed by the Graduate and Professional student Government.

-Approved March 21, 2017
Read the updated policy
Read the updated procedures

Establishment of the Bloomington Faculty Council Scholarship
Established a Scholarship Fund for students on the Bloomington campus who have demonstrated financial need and do not qualify for state or federal support.

-Adopted April 18, 2017
Read more about the BFC Scholarship

Amendment to Bloomington Faculty Council Bylaw 2
The Bloomington Faculty Council approved a change of the Bloomington Faculty Council Bylaws to adjust the Council meeting time from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

-Adopted April 18, 2017
Read the updated Bylaws