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Constitution of the University of Bayreuth

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Pursuant to Article 13 para 1 sentence 1 BayHSchG dated 23 May 2006 (GVBl 2006, p. 245 et seq.), as amended, the University of Bayreuth issues the following constitution:

Preamble

¹The University of Bayreuth is an internationally operating, cooperation- and focus-oriented university with innovative interdisciplinary research structures and teaching derived from them. ²By way of its research, teaching, and continuing education, it serves scientific progress and science-related education. ³As part of its research and teaching duties, it is dedicated to quality assurance and supporting early-career scholars. ⁴It fosters equality between women and men and is working towards eliminating existing disadvantages. ⁵It is committed to reconciling studies, career, and family.

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§ 1 Legal status and structure of the university

- (1) ¹The University of Bayreuth is a public corporation with the right of self-governance; membership is governed by Article 17 BayHSchG. ²It is also a state institution.
- (2) The central bodies of the University are the University Governing Board, the Senate, and the University Council.
- (3) The University is divided into seven faculties.
- (4) ¹In the context of cooperation with other higher education institutions, members of another higher education institution or of another state or state-funded research institution may be admitted to the University of Bayreuth as secondary members. ²The prerequisite for admission as a secondary member is the close cooperation of the applicant with the University of Bayreuth and, in particular, the joint performance of tasks in research, teaching, studies, and continuing education. ³The University Governing Board of the University of Bayreuth shall decide on applications for secondary membership in consultation with the faculty or research institute concerned. ⁴If the application for secondary membership is approved by the University Governing Board, the applicant will be assigned as a member of the University of Bayreuth. ⁵Persons who have been accepted as secondary members at the University of Bayreuth are neither eligible to vote nor to be elected there.
- (5) ¹Professors of the University of Bayreuth may be granted secondary membership in a faculty (Art. 27 para 3 BayHSchG) other than the faculty to which they belong. ²The University Governing Board shall decide on the granting of secondary membership upon request of the professor after approval by the faculties involved. ³Secondary membership may be linked to a professorship at the time of advertisement in accordance with Art. 18 para 3 BayHSchPG; this shall require the prior consent of the faculties concerned. ⁴Professors who have been accepted as secondary members at another faculty are neither entitled to vote nor to be elected at that faculty.
- (6) ¹Doctoral researchers at the University of Bayreuth are members of the University of Bayreuth pursuant to Article 17 para 1 sentence 6 BayHSchG, even if they are not enrolled as students and are not employed by the university. ²They are not be assigned to any member group pursuant to Art. 17 para 2 sentence 1 BayHSchG and they are neither entitled to vote nor eligible for election pursuant to BayHSchWO.
- (7) ¹Graduate early-career scholars who receive a scholarship for the purpose of further academic qualification and who, with the consent of the University Governing Board, work in a faculty or in a central academic institute with the consent of the respective dean or the respective management of the institute for more than one semester may be granted the rights and duties of members of the University for no longer than the term of the scholarship award. ²They are not be assigned to any member group pursuant to Art. 17 para 2 sentence 1 BayHSchG and they are neither entitled to vote nor are they eligible for election pursuant to BayHSchWO.

Section I: The central bodies of the university

§ 2 University Governing Board

- (1) ¹The University Governing Board comprises the President, four Vice Presidents, and the Provost. ²The Women's Representative is a member with an advisory vote.
- (2) ¹The University Governing Board is responsible for attending to all matters for which no other role is specified in the BayHSchG or in the present statutes. ²It conducts the day-to-day business of the university. ³The University Governing Board is responsible in particular for the following matters:
 1. Establishing the principles of university policy objectives and institutional development,
 2. Concluding target agreements in accordance with Article 15 BayHSchG,
 3. Establishing principles for evaluation and quality assurance,
 4. Drawing up estimates for the state budget or drawing up the business plan,
 5. Implementing the budget or the business plan,
 6. Distributing positions and resources allocated to the University, including rooms, in accordance with the principles of Article 5 para 2 sentences 1 and 2 BayHSchG,
 7. Proposing a constitution and amendments to it,
 8. Making decisions on the establishment, modification, or abolition of academic and artistic institutes and operational units, as well as on the organization of the University's administration,
 9. Appointing and dismissing managers of academic and artistic institutes and operational units,
 10. Concluding agreements on cooperation with other universities,
 11. Adopting resolutions on the university's proposals for the appointment of professors, subject to a deviating regulation in an ordinance pursuant to Article 18 para 10 BayHSchPG,
 12. Other tasks assigned to it by law or pursuant to a law.
- (3) By way of derogation from Article 24 BayHSchG, an Extended University Governing Board will not be formed.
- (4) The University Governing Board has the right to form boards and committees.
- (5) Participation of the representatives of research associates, other staff, and students in matters concerning them is governed by Article 20 para 1 sentence 3 (first clause) BayHSchG.

§ 3 President

- (1) The President's term of office is six years; re-election is permitted beyond twelve years.
- (2) ¹By way of derogation from Article 21 para 1 sentence 1 and Article 26 para 5 sentence 1 number 2 BayHSchG, the President is elected by the Senate and the University Council in joint session in the election process regulated in more detail in para 7. ²The University Council and the Senate cooperate in a spirit of trust in the election of the President and in preparation for the election.
- (3) ¹The Senate, in consultation with the University Council, decides on an announcement for nominations no later than one year before the incumbent President's term of office expires; it shall determine the end of the application period, the latest date on which the list of nominees is to be drawn up, and the time and place of the new election of the President. ²The application period should not be shorter than four weeks; applications must be submitted in writing. ³The chairperson of the University Council and the deputy chairperson of the Senate jointly inform the members of the University Council and Senate of the applications received.
- (4) ¹The chairperson of the University Council and the deputy chairperson of the Senate jointly draw up a list of proposed candidates on the basis of proposals submitted by the deans and other voting members of the Senate and by members of the University Council; candidates are to be included in the list of proposed candidates if either the Senate or the University Council so decides. ²The proposals shall be made on the basis of the applications received; persons may also be proposed who have not applied but have given their written consent. ³If necessary, applicants will be given the opportunity to present themselves to the members of the University Council and the Senate in a joint meeting.
- (5) ¹The members of the Senate and the University Council are to be invited in writing no later than four weeks before the election. ²The list of nominations and information on the number of applications is to be enclosed with the invitation. ³At the same time, the members of the Senate and the University Council are invited to an information session open to all members of the university, which as a rule takes place one week before the election. ⁴The invitation is sent by the Provost. ⁵This person is also responsible for chairing the meeting at the information event and at the election itself. ⁶At the information event, the members of the Senate and the University Council are given the opportunity to learn about the lives and careers of the candidates. ⁷The candidates will have the opportunity to present their strategy for the further development of the university. ⁸The members of the Senate and the University Council may ask the candidate questions relating to the office of President. ⁹A joint discussion between the Senate and the University Council will take place following the information session.
- (6) The election of the President is conducted by the Provost as election officer.

- (7) ¹The following procedure shall apply to the election: the Senate and the University Council shall vote in joint session but using separate ballots. ²The person elected shall be the person who receives a majority of votes from the voting members of both the Senate and the University Council. ³If none of the candidates receive a majority of the members of the Senate and the University Council in two rounds of voting, the President shall be elected by the University Council in a third round of voting by a majority of the members. ⁴A run-off in the second round shall be excluded by way of derogation from § 34 para 2 sentences 2 and 3.
- (8) If an election does not take place, a new election shall be initiated without delay with a new advertisement; the same shall apply if the President ceases to hold office.
- (9) ¹If there are important reasons for doing so, the President may be dismissed by the Senate and the University Council in joint session. ²The request may be made only by a majority of the members of the Senate or by a majority of the members of the University Council, stating the reason. ³A period of at least one week must elapse between receipt of the request and the joint meeting of the Senate and the University Council. ⁴The invitation shall be sent by the Provost, who shall also be responsible for chairing the meeting. ⁵The request shall be put to the vote after discussion. ⁶By way of derogation from Art. 21 para 3 and Art. 26 para 5 sentence 1 number 2 BayHSchG, the procedure set out in para 7 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to dismissal; in each case a majority of two thirds of the members of the Senate and the University Council is required.

§ 4 Vice Presidents

- (1) The University has a Vice President for Research & Junior Scholars; a Vice President for Teaching & Learning; a Vice President for Internationalization, Gender Equality & Diversity; and a Vice President for Digitization, Innovation & Sustainability.
- (2) ¹The term of office of the Vice Presidents is three years, including the semester in which the appointment takes effect. ²Re-election is admissible.
- (3) ¹By way of derogation from Art. 22 para 1 and Art. 26 para 5 sentence 1 number 3 BayHSchG, the Vice Presidents are elected by the Senate and the University Council in joint session; § 3 para 7 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the election procedure. ²The President shall have the right of nomination; in addition to the professors belonging to the university, he or she may nominate a member from among the other full-time academic staff for election.
- (4) ¹The election should take place during the lecture period of the last semester falling within the term of office of the incumbent Vice President. ²If a Vice President leaves office prematurely, a new election for a full term of office is to be held no later than during the lecture period of the next semester.

- (5) ¹The President invites the members of the Senate and the University Council to the joint election meeting and chairs the meeting. ²For this invitation, a period of at least two weeks shall apply. ³The proposals of the President shall be enclosed with the invitation.
- (6) By way of derogation from Art. 22 para 2 sentence 3 and Art. 26 para 5 sentence 1 number 3 BayHSchG, § 3 para 9 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the dismissal of a Vice President.

§ 5 Senate

- (1) ¹By way of derogation from Art. 25 para 1 sentence 1 BayHSchG, the members of the Senate are:
1. Five teaching staff representatives (Art. 17 para 1 sentence 1 number 1 BayHSchG),
 2. Two representatives of the research associates (Art. 17 para 2 sentence 1 number 2 BayHSchG),
 3. One representative of the other staff members (Art. 17 para 2 sentence 1 number 3 BayHSchG),
 4. Three student representatives,
 5. The Women's Representative of the University,
 6. the deans of the faculties,
 7. the President as a member without voting rights.

²The provisions of the Election Regulations for State Universities (BayHSchWO) dated 16 June 2006 (GVBl p. 338), as amended, apply to the election and term of office of the members of the Senate in accordance with sentence 1 numbers 1 to 3. ³If the vote is cast in accordance with the principles of proportional representation (§ 2 para 1 sentence 1 BayHSchWO), the person entitled to vote may, notwithstanding § 11 para 4 sentences 1 and 3 item 2 BayHSchWO, also cast his or her vote for candidates from different nominations within the number of votes to which he or she is entitled. ⁴In such cases, § 11 para 4 sentence 8 BayHSchWO applies *mutatis mutandis*, § 13 para 2 sentence 2 number 7 alternative 2 BayHSchWO does not apply, and by way of deviation from § 14 para 2 sentence 2 BayHSchWO, the number of total votes cast is decisive for determining the election outcome instead of the number of ballot papers.

- (2) ¹The student representatives pursuant to para 1 sentence 1 number 4, as well as one substitute representative shall be elected by the Student Parliament from among its members in separate ballots. ²A person shall be elected if he or she receives at least a two-thirds majority of the members of the Student Parliament; § 34 para 2 and para 3 shall not apply. ³In the event of deselection, § 27 para 3 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*. ⁴If at least one representative has not been elected, the University Governing Board shall appoint a provisional representative on the proposal of the chairperson of the Student Parliament.

- (3) The Director, the representative of the general assembly of doctoral researchers at the University of Bayreuth Graduate School and the Chairperson of the Cluster of Excellence Africa Multiple and the Chief Information Officer participate in the meetings of the Senate in an advisory capacity in accordance with Art. 25 para 1 sentence 4 BayHSchG.
- (4) ¹Notwithstanding Art. 25 para 2 BayHSchG, the Senate is chaired by the President. ²The Senate elects a deputy chair from among its voting members. ³The chair and the deputy chair shall consult with each other when drawing up the agenda. ⁴The President informs the University Council of the main results of the meetings of the Senate.
- (5) ¹By way of derogation from Art. 25 para 4, sentence 1 BayHSchG, the Senate may, in agreement with the University Governing Board, appoint advisory committees. ²The appointment of an advisory committee may not delay the decision-making of the Senate by more than one semester.
- (6) As part of the Senate's statement on appointment proposals pursuant to Art. 18 para 5 sentence 1 BayHSchPG, the majority proportion of Senate members pursuant to para 1 sentence 1 numbers 1 and 6 is determined and shown separately.

§ 6 University Council

- (1) By way of derogation from Art. 26 para 1 sentence 1 BayHSchG, the members of the Senate are:
 1. four representatives of the university lecturers,
 2. one representative of the research associates,
 3. two student representatives,
 4. seven persons from the areas of science, culture, business, and professional practice (who are not members of the University).
- (2) ¹The members of the University Council who are members of the University pursuant to para 1 numbers 1 to 2 shall be elected on a group basis and may not at the same time be members of the Senate. ²The provisions of the Election Regulations for State Universities (BayHSchWO) dated 16 June 2006 (GVBl p. 338), as amended, and § 5 para 1 sentences 3 and 4 apply *mutatis mutandis* to their election and term of office. ³The representatives under para 1 number 3 and a substitute representative shall be elected by applying § 5 para 2 *mutatis mutandis*.
- (3) ¹Of the seven non-university members of the University Council, at least two should come from the fields of science and culture and at least two from the fields of business and professional practice. ²The proposals for the appointment of the non-university members of the University Council to be drawn up by the University Governing Board in conjunction with the Ministry of State must be confirmed by the Senate.

- (4) ¹The University Council elects a chair from among its non-university members and a deputy chair from among its university members. ²The person who receives the votes of the majority of the members of the University Council is elected.
- (5) If, as a result of the election or appointment of new members, the University Council has neither a chair nor a deputy chair, the President will invite the newly elected University Council to meet and will preside over such meeting until a new chair of the University Council is elected.
- (6) The President informs the Senate of the main results of the meetings of the University Council.

§ 7 Responsibilities of the central bodies

- (1) The statutory allocation of responsibilities applies to the tasks of the central bodies, unless the following paragraphs provide for deviations therefrom.
- (2) ¹By way of derogation from Art. 26 para 5 sentence 1 number 1 BayHSchG, the Senate decides on the University of Bayreuth's **Constitution** and amendments thereto as well as on **requests pursuant to Art. 106 para 2 BayHSchG** on the proposal of the University Governing Board and after hearing the University Council. ²If the Senate amends the proposal of the University Governing Board, the University Council need only be consulted again if the chairperson of the University Council so requests within one week of being informed of the Senate's decision.
- (3) ¹By way of derogation from Art. 24 para 3 number 2 and Art. 26 para 5 sentence 1 number 5 BayHSchG, the University Governing Board shall draw up the **development plan**, taking into account the development plans of the faculties, and update it and submit it to the Senate and the University Council for adoption in joint session. ²The procedure in accordance with § 3 para 7 applies accordingly to the adoption of resolutions.
- (4) By way of derogation from Art. 24 para 3 number 3 BayHSchG, the University Governing Board shall decide on proposals for the designation of **research priorities** and the establishment of **collaborative research centres, research training groups**, and corresponding institutes; Art. 25 para 3 number 3 BayHSchG shall remain unaffected.
- (5) The decision under Art. 24 para 3 number 4 BayHSchG (**focal points of the budget**) shall be made by the University Governing Board after consultation with the Senate and the University Council.
- (6) By way of derogation from Art. 24 para 3 number 5 and Art. 26 para 5 sentence 1 number 6 BayHSchG, the University Council shall, at the request of the University Governing Board and with the consent of the Senate, decide on proposals for the **division of the university into faculties**.

- (7) By way of derogation from Art. 25 para 3 number 4 and Art. 26 para 5 sentence 1 number 7 BayHSchG, the Senate shall decide on the **establishment, amendment, and cancellation of degree programmes** after obtaining the opinion of the University Council; Art. 57 para 3 BayHSchG shall remain unaffected.

§ 8 Honours

- (1) The University may, on the recommendation of the University Governing Board and by resolution of the Senate, confer the dignity of honorary senator or the University Medal on persons who have rendered outstanding services to the university.
- (2) The faculties may, by resolution of the faculty council in agreement with the University Governing Board, award the Faculty Medal to persons who have rendered outstanding services to the faculty.
- (3) Upon request of a faculty, the title of "Distinguished Affiliated Professor" shall be awarded by the University Governing Board of the University of Bayreuth for a period of three to five years to international guests who, as a rule, hold a professorship at another university and regularly perform recurring or ongoing activities for the University of Bayreuth in teaching and/or research over a longer period of time (usually between three and five years) of outstanding importance.

Section II: The faculties

§ 9 Faculties

The University of Bayreuth has the following faculties:

1. Faculty of Mathematics, Physics & Computer Science,
2. Faculty of Biology, Chemistry & Earth Sciences,
3. Faculty of Law, Business & Economics,
4. Faculty of Languages & Literatures,
5. Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences,
6. Faculty of Engineering Science,
and at the Kulmbach site
7. Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health.

§ 10 Deans

- (1) ¹The term of office of the deans is two years. ²Re-election is admissible.

- (2) ¹If the term of office of the newly elected dean begins at the same time as the term of office of the newly elected faculty council, the faculty may have the dean elected either by the previous faculty council or by the new faculty council. ²If the old faculty council did not elect a dean, the election by the new faculty council shall take place no later than three months after the beginning of his or her term of office; the previous dean shall remain in office until then; the term of office of the new dean shall not be postponed as a result.
- (3) For the election of the dean, the faculty council shall draw up an election proposal from among the professors of the faculty with up to three candidates; this election proposal shall be made in consultation with the University Governing Board, in deviation from Art. 28 para 1 sentence 2 BayHSchG.

§ 11 Vice deans

- (1) ¹The term of office of the vice deans is two years. ²Re-election is admissible.
- (2) ¹Each faculty has at least one vice dean. ²With the consent of the Senate, the relevant faculty council may elect an additional vice dean.
- (3) ¹The vice dean is elected from among the professors of the faculty on the recommendation of the dean. ²If a faculty elects a further vice dean, one of the vice deans may be elected from among the research associates. ³For the time and procedure of the election, § 10 para 2 shall apply accordingly.

§ 12 Deans of studies

- (1) ¹Each faculty has at least one dean of studies. ²With the consent of the Senate, the relevant faculty council may elect an additional dean of studies.
- (2) ¹If the beginning of the term of office of the dean of studies coincides with the beginning of the term of office of a newly elected faculty council, the faculty may have the dean of studies elected either by the old or by the new faculty council. ²§ 10 para 2 sentence 2 applies *mutatis mutandis*. ³The term of office of the dean of studies is three years. ⁴Re-election is admissible.
- (3) ¹The dean of studies is responsible for the quality assurance of the degree programmes in accordance with Art. 30 para 2 BayHSchG in consultation with the programme coordinators and the students of the relevant faculty. ²The voting procedure according to sentence 1 is determined by the dean of studies in agreement with the faculty council. ³The aim of the vote is to support the dean of studies in the preparation of the teaching report and in the implementation of quality assurance measures.

- (4) ¹In the context of the reporting duties incumbent upon him or her pursuant to Art. 30 para 2 BayHSchG and of the university-wide quality management system for teaching and learning, the dean of studies shall submit an annual teaching report to the University Governing Board in accordance with the quality assurance and evaluation statutes of the University of Bayreuth as amended; the University Governing Board shall ensure that the teaching report is forwarded to the Presidential Advisory Committee for Teaching & Learning and the Presidential Advisory Committee for Teacher Education. ²Art. 30 para 2 number 4 BayHSchG remains unaffected. ³When submitting the teaching report, the provisions of data protection law in accordance with Art. 30 para 2 number 4 and Art. 10 para 3 sentence 2 BayHSchG must be observed in particular.

§ 13 Faculty councils

(1) ¹The faculty council consists of

1. the dean,
2. the vice dean and any other vice deans,
3. the dean of studies or, if a faculty has more than one dean of studies, one representative to be appointed by them,
4. teaching staff representatives (Art. 17 para 2 sentence 1 number 1 BayHSchG),
5. two representatives of the research associates (Art. 17 para 2 sentence 1 number 2 BayHSchG),
6. one representative of the other staff members (Art. 17 para 2 sentence 1 number 3 BayHSchG),
7. two student representatives,
8. The Women's Representative of the faculty.

²The provisions of the Election Regulations for State Universities (BayHSchWO) of 16 June 2006 (GVBl p. 338), as amended, shall apply to the election and term of office of members of the faculty councils in accordance with sentence 1 numbers 4-7. ³§ 5 para 1 sentence 3 and sentence 4 apply *mutatis mutandis*.

- (2) ¹In matters concerning the appointment of professors, and insofar as the faculty council so decides also within the context of *Habilitation* processes, all professors of the faculty shall have the right to participate with voting rights. ²In determining the quorum, the additional professors entitled to participate shall not be taken into account.
- (3) ¹The members of the faculty as described in para 2 shall be informed by the appointment committee of the outcome of its deliberations in appointment matters. ²The professors of the relevant faculty have the right to inspect the application documents.

Section III: Other university bodies and institutes

§ 14 Bodies for quality in teaching and learning

- (1) ¹The university maintains a system for assuring the quality of its work in the area of teaching and learning. ²This includes regular teaching and programme evaluations and a procedure for the internal accreditation of degree programmes; external expertise is also sought in the establishment of degree programmes, the amendment of qualification objectives, and the internal accreditation of degree programmes.
- (2) ¹At the central level, the Quality Assurance unit (QS) shall be established for this purpose, the work of which shall be supported by a QS advisory board. ²The faculties elect a programme coordinator for each degree programme.
- (3) Further details, including those concerning other quality assurance stakeholders and procedures, are governed by the Quality Assurance and Evaluation Statutes of the University of Bayreuth, as amended.

§ 15 Research institutes

- (1) ¹Central research institutes (research centres) and operational units may be established at the university. ²The decision on their establishment is made by the University Governing Board. ³The same applies to research institutes that are assigned to one or more faculties (research units). ⁴Pursuant to Art. 26 para 5 sentence 1 number 8 BayHSchG, the University Council shall be given the opportunity to comment. ⁵The Senate is informed accordingly. ⁶The decision-making competence of the Senate pursuant to Art. 25 para 3, number 1 BayHSchG with regard to the regulations of the relevant research institute shall remain unaffected. ⁷A list of the research centres and research offices of the University of Bayreuth is published and updated by the University Governing Board.
- (2) ¹As part of the Cluster of Excellence "Africa Multiple" at the University of Bayreuth, the Bayreuth International Graduate School of African Studies (BIGSAS) exists as an institute pursuant to Art. 19 para 5 sentence 5 in conjunction with para 6, sentence 1 BayHSchG, which exercises the right to award doctoral degrees to BIGSAS members for the Faculty of Biology, Chemistry & Earth Sciences, for the Faculty of Languages & Literatures, and for the Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences. ²The details of the doctoral examination process and the examining bodies are governed by the doctoral regulations.
- (3) ¹In accordance with Art. 19 para 5 sentence 5 in conjunction with para 6 sentence 1 BayHSchG, the Bayreuth Graduate School of Mathematical and Natural Sciences (Bay-NAT), which is entitled to award doctoral degrees for the Faculty of Mathematics, Physics

& Computer Science and for the Faculty of Biology, Chemistry & Earth Sciences, is established. ²The details of the doctoral examination process and the examining bodies are governed by the corresponding doctoral regulations.

- (4) ¹In accordance with Art. 19 para 5 sentence 5 in conjunction with para 6 sentence 1 BayHSchG, the University of Bayreuth Graduate School exists as a central academic institute. ²It serves to scientifically foster graduates seeking to obtain a doctorate in a structured way. ³Membership is open to all doctoral students of the University of Bayreuth; it is voluntary and is granted upon request by the doctoral student.

The bodies of the University of Bayreuth Graduate School are:

1. the board,
2. the director of the University of Bayreuth Graduate school and his or her deputy, and
3. the doctoral researchers' representatives (general assembly of doctoral researchers, spokespersons of the doctoral researchers and their deputies).

⁵The University of Bayreuth Graduate School's general assembly of doctoral researchers includes all doctoral researchers of the University of Bayreuth Graduate School. ⁶The director of the University of Bayreuth Graduate School is either the University of Bayreuth's Vice President for Research & Young Scholars or a university lecturer from among the active professors. ⁷The director and his or her deputy shall be appointed by the University Governing Board for three years at a time. ⁸The heads of the graduate centres and the deans are entitled to make nominations. ⁹The board of the University of Bayreuth Graduate School is made up of

1. the director of the University of Bayreuth Graduate school and his or her deputy,
2. one representative from each graduate centre and each faculty (the dean or other faculty representative),
3. the Vice President for Research & Junior Scholars at the University of Bayreuth,
4. the spokesperson of the doctoral students and three deputies, as well as
5. one of the Women's Representatives at the University of Bayreuth.

¹⁰The board makes decisions with regard to the University of Bayreuth Graduate School's strategic orientation, monitors the implementation of its goals, and contributes to its continued development.

¹¹Its other duties include:

1. developing a qualification framework for doctoral researchers and the University of Bayreuth in consultation with the University of Bayreuth's University Governing Board and Senate,
2. reporting to the University Governing Board on establishing, modifying, or discontinuing graduate centres and doctoral programmes at the University of Bayreuth,
3. reporting to the University Governing Board on new or amended doctoral regulations.

¹²The director and the spokesperson of the University of Bayreuth Graduate School's general assembly of doctoral candidates are advisory members of the Senate. ¹³Further details

on the goals and responsibilities as well as the organization of the University of Bayreuth Graduate School are governed by its statute.

- (5) ¹The University Governing Board will formulate general guidelines for the form of the research institutes and publish these. ²The research institutes may adopt regulations that define the tasks and organization of the institute within the scope of their responsibilities.

§ 16 Research ombudsperson

(1) The University Governing Board of the University of Bayreuth shall appoint at least one ombudsperson for

1. early-career scholars and
2. for academic self-regulation.

- (2) ¹The University Governing Board shall adopt procedural principles defining the competence and function of the relevant ombudsperson as well as the individual stages of the procedure. ²These procedural principles shall be made public at the university.

§ 17 Presidential Advisory Committee for Research & Junior Researchers

(1) A Presidential Advisory Committee for Research & Junior Scholars shall be established under the chairmanship of the Vice President for Research & Junior Scholars.

- (2) ¹The committee shall include up to six representatives from governing bodies of the central research institutes, one representative of the research associates, and one doctoral student. ²The University Governing Board shall decide on the exact composition and additional members.

- (3) ¹The Presidential Advisory Committee for Research & Junior Scholars shall deal with strategic issues regarding research at the University of Bayreuth. ²It deals with strategies for improving its research profile and for research evaluation. ³It advises on proposals for the establishment of new research centres and research units and draws up criteria for evaluating their synergies and their performance. ⁴The committee shall attend to the concerns of early-career scholars.

§ 18 Presidential Advisory Committee for Teaching & Learning

- (1) Under the chairmanship of the Vice President for Teaching & Learning, a Presidential Advisory Committee for Teaching & Learning shall be established to advise on matters relating to the organization and coordination of degree programmes, including those relating to cooperation between faculties, and to submit corresponding proposals.

- (2) ¹The committee shall consist of the deans of studies and two representatives each of the research associates and the students; if a faculty has more than one dean of studies, it may delegate only one dean of studies with voting rights. ²The programme coordinators shall be consulted in an advisory capacity as required.

§ 19 Presidential Advisory Committee for Teacher Education

- (1) The Presidential Advisory Committee for Teacher Education shall be chaired by the Vice President for Teaching & Learning.
- (2) ¹In addition to the chairperson, the committee shall comprise up to eight professors who are involved in teacher training; in addition, the committee shall comprise at least two research associates who are involved in teacher training and at least two students enrolled in teacher education programmes. ²The professors shall have a majority of the members. ³The University Governing Board decides on the composition and on permanent guests.
- (3) The Presidential Committee for Teacher Education shall advise in particular on questions concerning the organization and coordination of teacher education programmes, also insofar as they concern cooperation between the faculties.

§ 20 Presidential Advisory Committee for International Affairs

- (1) The Presidential Advisory Committee for International Affairs shall be chaired by the Vice President for Internationalization, Gender Equality & Diversity.
- (2) ¹In addition to the chairperson, up to eight professors shall be members of the committee; in addition, two research associates and two students shall be members of the committee. ²The University Governing Board decides on the composition and on permanent guests.
- (3) ¹The Presidential Advisory Committee for International Affairs deals with strategic issues regarding internationalization at the University of Bayreuth. ²It deals with the conditions of international higher education development and with questions of international marketing. ³It advises on proposals and develops measures to implement the internationalization strategy of the University of Bayreuth. ⁴It advises on international cooperation with the University of Bayreuth, on the international exchange of students and scholars and deals with the recruitment and advising of international students and scholars as well as with the acquisition of corresponding third-party funds.

§ 21 Presidential Advisory Committee for Student Fees

- (1) The Presidential Committee for Student Fees shall be chaired by the Vice President for Teaching & Learning.

- (2) ¹In addition to the chairperson, the committee shall consist of two professors, one research associate, and four students. ²The University Governing Board decides on the composition and on permanent guests.
- (3) The Presidential Committee for Student Fees deliberates, in particular, on the use of student fees and discusses all issues arising in connection with the student fees statutes of the University of Bayreuth.

§ 22 Presidential Advisory Committee for Information & Communication Technology

- (1) The Presidential Advisory Committee for Information & Communication Technology shall be chaired by the Vice President for Digitization, Innovation & Sustainability.
- (2) ¹In addition to the chairperson, the committee shall include the Vice President for Teaching & Learning, the Provost, one representative from each faculty, one representative from each central institute, one representative of the research associates, one representative of the non-academic staff, one student representative, and the IT Security Officer, the Data Protection Officer, and the head of the Campus Management Unit.
- (3) The presidential advisory committee shall be responsible for information and communication technology at the University of Bayreuth and shall advise the University Governing Board.
- (4) ¹The Chief Information Officer (CIO) shall develop the IT strategic goals and implementation concepts for a common IT management of the University of Bayreuth in an ongoing process of updating. ²The CIO reports to the Presidential Advisory Committee for Information & Communication Technology and makes recommendations. ³The CIO is either the University of Bayreuth's Vice President for Digitization, Innovation & Sustainability or a university lecturer from among the active professors or junior professors. ⁴The CIO and his or her deputy shall be appointed by the University Governing Board for a term of three years.

§ 23 Presidential Advisory Committee for Equal Opportunities & Diversity

- (1) The Presidential Advisory Committee for Equal Opportunities & Diversity shall be chaired by the Vice President for Internationalization, Gender Equality & Diversity.
- (2) ¹In addition to the chairperson, the presidential advisory committee includes the Women's Representative of the University of Bayreuth, the Employer's Inclusion Representative, the Representative for Disabled Students, the Equal Opportunities Officer, the Commissioner for a Family-Friendly University, one representative of the Research Associates' Council, one professor, one of the two ombudspersons for early-career scholars, the representatives of the complaints office, one representative of the Employee Council, and two students.
²When selecting students, care shall be taken to ensure that the interests of international

students are taken into account. ³The University Governing Board decides on the composition and on permanent guests.

- (3) ¹The presidential advisory committee is responsible for improving equal opportunities; the compatibility of family, studies, and career; diversity management; and measure to protect against discrimination and harassment. ²It shall draw up strategies for this purpose, propose target agreements, in particular with the faculties, and corresponding measures, and review their implementation.
- (4) ¹The presidential advisory committee shall form a Committee for the Advancement of Women, to which the Women's Representatives of the university and the faculties, their deputies, and one student from each faculty shall belong. ²Students are nominated at the beginning of the academic year by the relevant student representatives in agreement with the student parliament. ³The Committee for the Advancement of Women is chaired by the Women's Representative of the university. ⁴The tasks of the committee shall be, in particular, to draw up the list of candidates for the election of the Women's Representative of the university and the deputies, and to prepare the draft of the plan for the advancement of women. ⁵The responsibilities of the Women's Representative pursuant to Art. 4 para 2 sentence 1 BayHSchG shall remain unaffected.

§ 23a Presidential Advisory Committee for Sustainability

- (1) The Presidential Advisory Committee for Sustainability shall be chaired by the Vice President for Digitization, Innovation & Sustainability.
- (2) ¹In addition to the chairperson, the presidential advisory committee includes seven professors (one from each faculty), the head of Buildings & Grounds Maintenance, one representative of the academic staff, one representative of the non-academic staff, and two students. ²The University Governing Board shall make decisions regarding membership and permanent guests.
- (3) ¹The Presidential Advisory Committee for Sustainability shall deal with strategic issues relating to sustainability at the University of Bayreuth. ²It shall advise on proposals and develop measures to implement the sustainability strategy.

§ 24 Presidential Advisory Committee for Academic Staff Development (Bayreuth Track Committee)

- (1) The Presidential Advisory Committee for Academic Staff Development (Bayreuth Track Committee) is chaired by the Vice President for Research & Junior Scholars.
- (2) ¹In addition to the chairperson, four professors permanently employed at the University of Bayreuth, two dismissed or retired professors of the University of Bayreuth, and two external

professors shall be members of the committee. ²In addition, the committee shall include two professors close to the subject who are permanently employed at the University of Bayreuth and who are nominated by the faculty concerned for the duration of each Bayreuth Track procedure. ³The University Governing Board shall decide on the composition and permanent guests in consultation with the Senate.

- (3) The Presidential Advisory Committee for Academic Staff Development is responsible for the implementation of the Bayreuth Track Procedure by supporting the University of Bayreuth in its goal of creating predictable and reliable career perspectives for young academics at all levels.

§ 25 Centre for Teacher Education (ZLB)

- (1) ¹The Centre for Teacher Education (ZLB) is a central institute of the University of Bayreuth according to Art. 19 para 5 sentence 2 item 2 BayHSchG with the aim of coordinating issues related to teacher education. ²The ZLB is particularly active in the areas of university teacher training, continuing education for teachers, cooperation with schools, and public relations.
- (2) The members of the ZLB shall be, for the teaching subjects established at the University of Bayreuth including educational sciences, one representative of each subject area, one representative of each didactics subject area, the programme coordinators of the teaching education programmes, and four students enrolled in teacher education programmes.
- (3) The organization and structure of the centre is governed by the regulations of the ZLB.

§ 26 Research Associates' Council

- (1) The elected representatives of the research associates in the faculty councils, Senate, University Council, along with research associates among the Women's Representatives, members of the Presidential Advisory Committees, and the representative of the doctoral researchers within the University of Bayreuth Graduate School form the Research Associates' Council for the exchange of information and the coordination of its committee activities.
- (2) ¹The council shall elect a spokesperson and two deputies. ²Their term of office shall be two years. ³The President shall send invitations to attend the constituent meeting and chair it until the election of the spokesperson.
- (3) The Research Associates' Council appoints the permanent representatives in the various committees at the university who are not settled by way of elections.
- (4) Appropriate resources shall be made available to the council for the performance of its tasks.
- (5) § 37 applies *mutatis mutandis*.

§ 27 Student representatives

- (1) ¹A "Student Parliament (StuPa)" shall be formed at the University of Bayreuth, which shall perform the tasks of the student representation according to Art. 52 para 2 sentence 3 BayHSchG. ²The members of the Student Parliament are
1. two students from each faculty nominated by the respective student council, whereby at least one student must be the student council chairperson or the deputy chairperson,
 2. 17 other elected student representatives.
- ³The representatives according to sentence 2 number 1 shall be appointed by the student councils after their election; a student council representative who is already a representative of the students according to sentence 2 number 2 may not be appointed. ⁴The provisions of BayHSchWO dated 16 June 2006 (GVBl. p. 338), as amended, and Article 5 para 1 sentences 3 and 4 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the election of representatives under sentence 2 number 2, and the term of office shall be one year. ⁵An election proposal for the representatives according to sentence 2 number 2 must be signed by at least ten eligible students. ⁶The Student Parliament shall elect a chairperson and a deputy chairperson from among its members. ⁷The first meeting of the Student Parliament shall be chaired by the President until the election of a chairperson, a deputy chairperson, and the members of the steering committee. ⁸The Student Parliament shall meet in public, by way of derogation from § 43 para 1 sentence 1, unless personnel matters are being dealt with or the rights of third parties or other legal reasons conflict with this. ⁹Exclusion of the public shall be discussed and decided upon in closed session.
- (2) ¹The steering committee shall consist of six students who are elected by the Student Parliament in separate ballots; they do not have to come from among the members of the Student Parliament. ²The person chairing the steering committee shall be appointed by the Student Parliament. ³The steering committee shall implement the resolutions of the Student Parliament. ⁴Running matters may be delegated to it for independent handling. ⁵The steering committee shall report to the Student Parliament on its activities, in particular on the use of budgetary funds; the Student Parliament may deliberate on this.
- (3) ¹The chairperson and the deputy chairperson of the Student Parliament and the members of the steering committee may be dismissed by the Student Parliament with a majority of two-thirds of its members for good cause. ²The President shall convene the meeting; § 40 sentence 7 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*. ³The meeting shall be chaired by the oldest member of the Student Parliament, unless he or she is the subject of the vote to dismiss.

- ⁴The election of a successor shall be held within two weeks of the deselection of one of the persons referred to in sentence 1.
- (4) ¹An advisory committee, in which the concerns of the student councils are coordinated, may be set up at any time by the student councils or by the Student Parliament. ²The overview of anticipated expenditure (Art. 53 sentence 3 BayHSchG) shall be decided by the Student Parliament.
- (5) ¹The representatives of the students of a faculty shall form the student council, which shall be responsible for faculty-related matters of the students within the framework of Art. 52 para 2 sentence 3 BayHSchG. ²The number of members shall be seven. ³In faculties with more than 2,000 students entitled to vote, the number of members shall be increased by one for each additional 1,000 students or part thereof. ⁴The student representative on the faculty council who received the most votes in the election shall be the student council representative; the deputy shall be the other student representative on the faculty council; the other members of the faculty council shall be those students in the required number who would have additional seats in the election to the faculty councils. ⁵The faculty council representative shall conduct the day-to-day business of the student council and implement its resolutions; Paragraph 2 sentence 3 shall apply accordingly. ⁶If the prescribed number of members is not reached after the election or during the term of office, the University Governing Board shall, on the proposal of the elected student representatives, appoint further students from the faculty to reach the prescribed number of members.
- (6) ¹The Student Parliament may, within the framework of the annual university elections, submit a specific issue from its area of responsibility to the group of students for a decision (ballot); notwithstanding this, a ballot on funds (Art. 53 sentence 1 BayHSchG) of the student representatives shall not be permitted. ²The question put to the ballot must contain a question to be decided with a yes or no vote and a statement of reasons. ³The University Governing Board shall decide on admissibility. ⁴All students are entitled to vote. ⁵The question posed shall be decided in the sense in which it was answered by the majority of the valid votes cast, provided that at least ten out of 100 of those entitled to vote cast their vote; in the event of a tie, the question shall be deemed to have been answered in the negative. ⁶The decision shall be binding on the bodies of the student representatives in the subsequent term of office, unless the underlying factual or legal situation has changed significantly. ⁷The detailed procedure of the ballot shall be regulated by statute.
- (7) ¹The Student Parliament may convene a meeting of all students once per semester. ²During the meeting, no lectures shall take place. ³The date and time of the meeting shall be determined in consultation with the University Governing Board and shall be chosen in

such a way that the highest possible attendance can be achieved and as few courses as possible are cancelled.

§ 28 Women's representatives

- (1) ¹The term of office of the Women's Representative of the University of Bayreuth is two years and begins on 1 October. ²Re-election is admissible. ³If a women's representative leaves office prematurely, a by-election for the remainder of the term of office shall take place at the latest two meetings later by the relevant collegial body. ⁴The Women's Representative of the University of Bayreuth shall have the right to participate in an advisory capacity in the meetings of all university boards and committees of which he or she is not a voting member. ⁵The women's representative shall have up to three deputies.
- (2) ¹The term of office of the Women's Representative of the Faculty shall be two years and shall begin on 1 October. ²The Women's Representative of the Faculty shall have up to two deputies. ³Para 3 sentences 2 and 3 apply *mutatis mutandis*.
- (3) ¹The university shall provide the women's representatives with adequate resources for the effective performance of their duties. ²Women's representatives shall be relieved of other official duties for the duration of their activity, taking into account the scope of their work.

§ 29 Commissioner for a Family-Friendly University

¹The Commissioner for a Family-Friendly University shall be appointed by the University Governing Board. ² She or he shall in particular foster family-friendly working and study conditions and support the compatibility of studies, career, and family. ³The responsible organizational units in the academic and non-academic units of the University of Bayreuth shall cooperate with the commissioner in this respect and support him or her in his or her tasks. ⁴The responsibilities of the Women's Representatives pursuant to Art. 4 para 2 sentence 1 BayHSchG shall remain unaffected.

§ 30 Representative for Students with Disabilities

- (1) In consultation with the Student Parliament, the University Governing Board shall appoint a Representative for Students with Disabilities.
- (2) ¹The latter shall foster the integration of disabled students into the University, represent their specific interests concerning their studies and examinations, and provide them with advice and assistance. ² He or she shall perform his or her duties in particular by
 1. receiving suggestions and applications for the avoidance of disadvantages for disabled students and forwarding them to the responsible bodies and committees of the University,

2. submitting an annual report on the situation of disabled students at the University and forwarding it to the University Governing Board.

³ She or he shall also cooperate with the steering committee.

⁴In the decision-making bodies, the suggestions and initiatives of the representative for the disabled persons in accordance with Art. 2 para 3 sentence 3 BayHSchG shall be addressed, and he or she shall be heard.

§ 31 Board of Trustees

(1) A Board of Trustees shall be established to support the interests of the University of Bayreuth in public and to advise and support the University of Bayreuth in its work.

(2) ¹The Board of Trustees shall include up to 20 persons from the fields of business, culture, and politics who are particularly committed to the concerns of the University of Bayreuth.

²The members are appointed by the University Governing Board for a period of five years.

³Re-appointment is permissible.

¹The Board of Trustees shall elect a chairperson and deputy chairperson from among its members. ²The chair shall convene at least one meeting of the Board of Trustees in each calendar year. ³The President shall send invitations to attend the constituent meeting and chair it until the election of the chairperson.

Section IV: Election procedure

§ 32 Scope

For the elections of the President, the Vice Presidents, the deans, the vice deans, the deans of studies, the Women's Representatives of the University and the faculties and their deputies, the deputy chairperson of the Senate, the chairperson of the University Council and his or her deputy, the spokesperson of the Research Associates' Council and his or her two deputies, the representatives and substitute representatives of the students in the Senate and University Council, the chairperson of the Student Parliament and his or her deputy, and the steering committee and its chairperson, the following general regulations shall apply insofar as no special provisions have been made in the present Constitution.

§ 33 Voting

(1) ¹Election proposals may be made by any members of the election committee up to the beginning of the round of elections. ²Nominations may only be put to the vote if the proposed candidates have given their consent to run for election.

- (2) ¹Each election body shall appoint its own election officer. ²Before the election begins, the election officer shall establish the quorum of the election body.
- (3) ¹The election body shall constitute a quorum if all members have been duly invited and the majority of the members are present. ²The written transfer of voting rights shall be permissible in accordance with § 42 para 3 and shall be taken into account when determining the quorum in accordance with para 2 sentence 2.
- (4) Elections shall in principle be conducted by secret ballot and without debate; votes shall be cast in writing.
- (5) A ballot paper is invalid if
 1. none of the proposed candidates is marked on it (abstention),
 2. it names a person who is not a nominee,
 3. it contains additions or reservations,
 4. the will of the voter cannot be discerned beyond doubt.

§ 34 Election results

- (1) ¹The election officer shall determine the outcome of the election and announce it. ²A written record of the election shall be made and signed by the election officer.
- (2) ¹If only one candidate is to be elected, the person who receives more than half of the votes of all members of the electoral body shall be elected. ² If no candidate achieves this majority in the first round of voting, then, unless a new election process is initiated, a run-off election shall take place in a second vote between the two candidates who achieved the highest number of votes in the first round. ³In the second round, the person who receives the majority of the valid votes cast is elected. ⁴In the event of a tie, a third vote shall be held; if this again results in a tie, para 4 shall apply. ⁵If only one candidate runs for office, he or she is elected if the number of valid “yes” votes cast exceeds the number of valid “no” votes cast.
- (3) ¹If several candidates are to be elected, the candidates with the most votes are elected. ² In the event of a tie, an additional round of voting shall be held with regard to the candidates concerned. ³If the votes are again tied, para 4 shall apply.
- (4) If the election does not take place, a new election process shall be initiated and conducted without delay.

§ 35 Acceptance of the election results

- (1) ¹The relevant election officer shall immediately notify the elected persons of the election result and shall request them to declare, either orally for the record at the election meeting

or in writing within one week, whether they accept the election. ²If no declaration is received within this period, the election shall be deemed to have been accepted. ³If the election is not accepted for an important reason within the meaning of Art. 18 para 1 sentence 3 BayHSchG, a new election process shall be initiated and conducted without delay.

- (2) The election officer shall ensure appropriate publication of the election results.

Section V: Course of business

§ 36 Scope

The following provisions shall apply to the conduct of business of the collegial bodies and other bodies, unless special provisions are made in the present Constitution.

§ 37 Rules of procedure

The collegial bodies and the other bodies shall adopt rules of procedure as required.

§ 38 Membership in the committees

- (1) The members of all presidential advisory boards shall be appointed by the University Governing Board.
- (2) ¹Membership in the presidential advisory committees of the University of Bayreuth shall in principle be for four years; re-appointment for an additional four years shall be permissible. ²Sentence 1 does not apply to students. ³If member groups are only represented by one person in the presidential advisory committees, the University Governing Board may appoint a substitute representative in each case.
- (3) ¹The term of office of the students in the presidential advisory committees of the University of Bayreuth shall be based on the term of office of the Student Parliament; terms of office lasting several years are possible. ²At the beginning of each term of office, the Student Parliament shall propose to the University Governing Board the student members for the presidential advisory boards. ³Substitute representatives may be appointed for the students in the presidential advisory committees.
- (4) ¹The relevant departmental student representatives have the right to propose student representatives to committees and boards at the faculty level. ²If the departmental student representatives do not submit a proposal within fourteen days, the relevant faculty council shall provisionally appoint a representative until the departmental student representatives submit a proposal.

§ 39 Instructions for committee members

At the beginning of their term of office, the members of the collegial bodies and the other bodies shall be informed by the chairperson of their obligation to maintain confidentiality in accordance with Art. 18 para 2 BayHSchG.

§ 40 Meetings and invitations to meetings

¹The collegial bodies and the other bodies shall meet in sessions. ²They shall be convened at least once a semester during the lecture period. ³They shall be convened by the respective chairperson, who shall inform them of the agenda prepared by him or her. ⁴The chairperson shall chair the meeting. ⁵The collegial bodies and the other bodies shall be required to meet at the request of the University Governing Board, if necessary at short notice. ⁶They will also meet during the semester break if necessary. ⁷The chairperson of a collegial body or of another body shall be obligated to convene a meeting within two weeks at the request of a quarter of the members; the request shall be submitted in writing or by e-mail and shall specify the subject to be discussed. ⁸Summons to meetings shall be made in writing or by e-mail and generally at least one week before the meeting. ⁹In exceptional cases, a member or another person entitled to participate (e.g. an expert) may join meetings, and meetings or parts of a meeting may be held with the help of digital media (e.g. video conference), provided that the transmission is secure and in compliance with data protection requirements. ¹⁰In cases according to sentence 9, it must be ensured, that the participation of the person being consulted is not influenced.

§ 41 Quorum

- (1) The collegial bodies and other bodies constitute a quorum if - after all members were duly invited - the majority of the members eligible to vote are present; proxy voting, to be carried out in writing, shall be taken into account when taking attendance and determining the voting power of members.
- (2) ¹The members are obligated to attend the meetings and participate in voting. ² If a collegial body or other body is convened for the second time to discuss the same subject because it was unable to reach a decision during the first meeting, it shall constitute a quorum irrespective of the number of voters present; the second invitation - for which at least two days' notice must be given - must refer to this provision.
- (3) ¹When conducting meetings with the help of digital media, the member concerned shall immediately inform the chairperson of the meeting or the minute keeper in an appropriate form in the event of a disconnection. ²The chair of the meeting shall take immediate action in this case.

§ 42 Decision-making

- (1) ¹The collegial bodies and the other bodies shall decide by a majority of the votes cast; abstentions shall be regarded as votes not cast. ²If votes are equally divided among its members, the chair's vote shall be decisive.
- (2) Article 41 para 1 sentence 1 BayHSchG shall apply to decisions concerning personnel matters.
- (3) Written transfers of voting rights to other members of the same group of the respective body or to an elected or appointed substitute representative, insofar as there is no other representative of the same group in the body, are permissible for individual meetings or parts of meetings; each member may only combine the votes of a total of two members.
- (4) Voting rights may not be transferred, secret ballots may not be held, nor may abstentions be made in the case of examination panels.
- (5) Decisions that cannot be postponed or are urgent may be decided by all committees of the University of Bayreuth by circular resolution.
- (6) ¹When meetings are held with the aid of digital media, voting shall be conducted in such a way that the outcome of the vote can be established beyond doubt and that multiple votes are excluded. ²In the event of an inability to reach a decision due to technical faults in the connection, the chairperson shall determine an appropriate interruption of the meeting to enable the members to dial in again.

§ 43 Consulting guests and members of the public

- (1) ¹The collegial bodies and other bodies generally meet in private. ²They may decide on a case-by-case basis to make certain items on the agenda of a future meeting open to the public, unless personnel or audit matters are being dealt with or third-party rights or other legal reasons conflict with this.
- (2) The University Governing Board shall ensure that the members of the university and the public are informed to the necessary extent about the activities of the collegial bodies and the other bodies.
- (3) With the agreement of the members of a collegial body or of another body, the chairperson may invite experts to attend on a case-by-case basis for specific items on the agenda.

Section VI: Concluding provisions

§ 44 Entry into effect and termination

- (1) The present Constitution will enter into force on 1 April 2007; it will expire at the end of 30 September 2021.
- (2) At the same time, the Basic Regulations of the University of Bayreuth of November 6, 2000 (KWMBI II 2001, p. 308) shall cease to be in force.*)

*) The thirteenth set of amendments contains the following provisions with regard to the effective date:

The regulations go into effect on 21 July 2021.

§ 44a Transitional provisions for the establishment of the Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health

- (1) ¹The organization of the Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health is governed in the foundation phase, in deviation from Art. 27 BayHSchG and §§ 9ff, by § 44 b to 44 d, unless otherwise stipulated. ²The bodies of the faculty are
 1. the founding dean,
 2. the founding committee.
- (2) ¹The elections of the faculty bodies for the Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health according to §§ 9 ff. shall be carried out for the first time with the university elections at the University of Bayreuth following university elections in 2022 provided that at least nine university lecturers (Art. 17 para 2 page 1 number 1 BayHSchG) of which at least three are professors (Art. 2 para 1 page 1 number 1 BayHSchPG) as initial members and their additional members and students as defined in Art. 27 para 2 BayHSchG are assigned to the new faculty at that time. ²The term of office of the representatives under § 13 para 1 sentence 1 numbers 4 to 6 shall be three years for the election under sentence 1, notwithstanding § 13 para 1 sentence 2.

§ 44b Founding dean

- (1) The founding dean is authorized by the University Governing Board in consultation with the Senate and is appointed by the President.
- (2) ¹The founding dean is responsible for the establishment of the Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health. ²She or he shall chair the founding committee, shall take office until the election of a dean of the Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health elects

a dean, and shall participate in the committees of the University in the same way as the dean of the Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health according to the Constitution of the University of Bayreuth. ³Art. 28 para 3 - 7 BayHSchG shall apply *mutatis mutandis*. ⁴If the founding dean leaves office prematurely, a successor shall be appointed without delay.

- (3) ¹The founding dean shall assume the responsibilities of the dean of studies until the election of a faculty council for the Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health. ² Within the scope of his or her responsibilities as dean of studies, he or she shall attend meetings of the presidential advisory committees in an advisory capacity, insofar as matters concerning the Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health are concerned.
- (4) The founding dean may be represented by a member of the founding commission in accordance with section 44c para 1 number 2, both as chairperson of the founding committee and in its day-to-day business.

§ 44 c Founding committee

- (1) The founding committee consists of
1. the founding dean;
 2. up to seven additional professors of the University of Bayreuth;
 3. the professors and junior professors of the Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health, which is currently being established;
 4. the coordinator of the Kulmbach Campus;
 5. two representatives of the full-time academic staff at the University of Bayreuth, if possible with a connection to the main research areas of nutrition and health sciences;
 6. two representatives of the other staff members;
 7. two student representatives.
- (2) ¹The members referred to in para 1 numbers 2 and 5-7 shall be appointed by the University Governing Board in consultation with the founding dean and the Senate; the founding dean may submit his or her own proposals. ² The Student Parliament shall submit a proposal to the University Governing Board for the student representatives according to para 1 number 7. ³The founding committee shall perform the duties of a faculty council. ⁴§13 para 2 and para 3, Art. 31 para 2 and para 3 BayHSchG and Art. 18 BayHSchPG shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

§ 44 d Women's Representative

¹The Women's Representative of the faculty shall be elected by the founding committee from among its members. ³§ 28 para 2 and para 3 and § 34 para 2 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

§ 44 e Founding student council

- (1) ¹Pending the formation of an elected student council in accordance with § 27 para 5, its duties shall be carried out by a founding student council, which shall consist of seven members, two of whom shall be members of the founding committee in accordance with § 44c para 1 number 7. ²Five additional members shall be appointed by the University Governing Board on the recommendation of the Student Parliament. ³The members according to sentence 2 must be students enrolled in the University of Bayreuth's Faculty of Life Sciences: Food, Nutrition & Health. ⁴§ 27 para 5 sentences 2 and 3 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.
- (2) ¹The members pursuant to § 44 c para 1 number 7 shall be appointed student council representative and deputy by the University Governing Board upon proposal by the Student Parliament. ²§ 27 para 5 sentence 5 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*. ³The founding student council shall elect two substitute representatives from among its members for the members of the founding committee in accordance with Article 44 c para 1 number 7.
- (4) By way of derogation from § 27 para 1 number 2, the founding student council shall delegate two of its members to the Student Parliament in an advisory capacity.
- (5) § 38 para 3 sentence 1 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.