

**Minutes of the Statutes Committee Email Meeting
April 22 – May 2, 2003**

Members Polled: Doug Allen, Ron Bohlander, Mike Harris, Jonathan Moore, Anne Salter, Marc Smith, Tim Strike

The Statutes Committee to consider the following question:

What is the status of part-time GT faculty with regard to serving on standing committees and voting for such committee members? For example, an Emeritus Professor?

The following information is relevant to this question.

- Committee membership is limited to **members** of the General Faculty or the Academic Faculty **elected** by that body or to other individuals appointed directly by the Statute or Bylaw forming a particular committee. (2.4.6 and 2.8.1.7)
- All **members** of the General Faculty have the right to vote. (2.4.1)
- Membership in the General Faculty is granted to **full-time** members of the Corps of Instruction. (2.4.1.1.(a))
- The Executive Board does **specifically designate** some persons for General faculty status. (2.9.1 and 2.9.2) In these cases, the person must serve in the eligible position for at least **75% EFT**.

From this information, it seems that if you are not appointed by the Executive Board to General Faculty status then you **must be** an eligible **full-time** employee of Georgia Tech to obtain General Faculty status. Only General Faculty members are eligible to serve on committees and to vote for committee members. In particular, part-time faculty or an Emeritus Professor are not full-time and so cannot serve on a GT committee or vote in GT elections.

The committee considered this question and came to this consensus view during the time indicated (four positive responses, two did not respond).

Respectfully submitted,
Marc K. Smith, Chair