

<b>Committee:</b>	Strategic Planning and Academic Affairs (SPAF)	
<b>Chair:</b>	Xenofon Koutsoukos	
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To be concerned with long-term strategic planning and governance issues of the university. To be concerned with policy regarding professional ethics, conscience, and academic freedom under Article II, Section 3e of the Senate Constitution.		
<b>Item</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Due Dates</b>
1.	Continued:  Is there now a need for appropriate groups to reconsider student and staff freedom of expression on campus? (The academic freedom statement was presented to BOT on April 21, 2016; primary concern of students was student-on-student issues—they were less concerned about faculty-student issues (the students were) SPAF with reviewing the statement contemplating whether any additional text is necessary to clarify certain aspects of the statement as it becomes more of a “living” document. Review the Vanderbilt’s academic freedom of expression statement for areas requiring revision.	April 2017
2.	New:  Identify the role of Vanderbilt’s new Chief Diversity Officer/Office in circumstances involving allegations of violations of faculty academic freedom of expression.	December 2016
3.	New:  Identify and outline any circumstances which limit a Vanderbilt faculty member from utilizing her/his Vanderbilt affiliation in public speech.	December 2016
4.	New:  The General Counsel’s office expressed a desire to hear from Faculty Senate on whether there would ever be a circumstance in which Vanderbilt would disinvite an outside speaker from visiting campus to give a talk. Identify current procedure and policies related to this issue.	December 2016

5.	New: SPAF recommends meeting with the Faculty Senate's leadership to discuss steps that have been taken to increase communications between Faculty Senate and the Board of Trust.	December 2016
6.	New: SPAF recommends that next year's SPAF committee consider whether faculty have concerns about TIPS funding and if concerns exist take appropriate steps to consider these concerns.	April 2017