## SOM Faculty Senate and Shared Governance

The SOM faculty senate deals with subjects of interest to the faculty, administration and the student body. It is the major legislative, advisory and review body of the faculty and ensures that faculty participate in the academic affairs of the University. The senate is the body which deliberates over issues relating to academic policies, the academic program and its structure, assessments, curriculum integration, and educational facilities. The Senate serves in an advisory role to the university community and administration. It is responsible for maintaining communication between the faculty, and the administration, student body and staff. It establishes rules and procedures for its standing committees and is responsible for overseeing the election of its members as indicated in the by-laws.

Diagram of the SOM Faculty Senate and Shared Governance Structure:

