

Modifications to Faculty Senate Bylaws on non-election related voting procedures

REDBOOK and Faculty Senate Bylaws Committee

The language: Non-election voting

1. Electronic balloting on meeting motions is allowed by adoption of a motion to that effect by regular order by the voting members of the Faculty Senate in attendance either physically or virtually.
2. Such motions must specify both the time frame of the electronic balloting and the voting eligibility either as 1) all voting members of the Faculty Senate or 2) only those voting members in physical or virtual attendance at the meeting.
3. The results of the electronic vote will be reported to the Faculty Senate no later than the following regular meeting.

The location: Faculty Senate Bylaws

4. ELECTIONS

1. Senators shall be elected by their unit faculties for terms of three years. If a vacancy occurs in the Faculty Senate, the unit shall select a replacement in conformity with the rules of the unit, which shall be filed with the Secretary to the Faculty Senate. Regular elections of senators shall be completed prior to April 1 each year. Newly elected senators shall assume office at the Annual meeting following their election, except those filling vacancies shall assume office upon selection by the unit. The body of senators whose term continues beyond the next annual meeting and of newly elected senators shall be designated the Newly Elected Faculty Senate during the period from April 1 until the Annual Meeting.
2. Part-time senators shall be elected for three-year terms, provided that the faculty member maintains continued employment at the University for two terms during each academic year the faculty member serves on the senate. Any part-time senator who loses his or her status as a member of the part-time faculty for more than one term per academic year shall no longer be eligible to serve, and the remaining part-time representatives shall select another current member of the part-time faculty as a substitute.

5. EX OFFICIO NONVOTING MEMBERS

The President of the University, Vice Presidents, the Faculty Grievance Officer, the Assistant Vice President for Student Services and Registrar and deans of units shall be ex officio nonvoting members of the Faculty Senate and shall not be eligible to be elected as faculty representatives or elected or appointed as voting members of the Faculty Senate committees.

6. ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Senators have a duty to their unit to attend meetings of the Faculty Senate and meetings of Senate committees of which they are members. After two consecutive absences by a senator, the Chair of the Faculty Senate shall remind the senator of the senator's obligation to attend meetings. If absences continue, the Chair shall inform the senator's unit faculty.

7. REMOVAL OF SENATORS

Voting senators may be removed from office only by vote of their units in accordance with unit procedures.

Add number 8 for voting on non-election related matters.