

Academic Senate 2/6/19

Consent Agenda

Change to the By-Laws section 131-138 – Review by the Academic Senate Executive Committee 1/23/19

Edited Version

ELECTIONS

131: All faculty members with ~~more than one half of~~ a full-time contract and serving a majority of that time in a Division may participate in an election for Senators in that Division. (2/13/74)

132: The Senate Committee on Elections shall conduct Elections to the Senate within each Division of the College. For purposes of representation in the Senate, all counseling faculty not already represented will be considered a Division and all library faculty not already represented will be considered a Division. (5/15/13) The elections shall be held during the Spring Semester at such time as will permit the selection of Senators prior to the final preparation of the Fall Class Schedule. Announcements of elections will be circulated as soon after March 1 as possible. ~~Successive balloting will take place until the required number of Senators is elected. (3/12/69)~~ A special division may be formed when indicated by the Elections Committee and approved by the Senate to ensure that all faculty on campus are represented on the Academic Senate.

133: A division senator from the Elections Committee will coordinate the election for their division. The division coordinator will solicit candidates from eligible faculty within the division. (2.6.19)

~~In conducting the election in each Division, the Elections Committee will list on the first ballot all eligible faculty, exclusive of those who request that their names be omitted.~~

134: The candidates are elected by popular vote. The division coordinator shall conduct a confidential election by paper ballot, email, or online voting. Elections shall conclude by April 15th and results shall be given to the Elections Chair. (2.6.19)

~~Candidates receiving a majority or winning quota of votes cast shall be considered elected to the Senate. The winning quota is to be determined by dividing the number of ballots cast by the number of seats to be filled plus one, and then rounding down to the nearest whole number. In casting his or her ballot, each Faculty member may, from the list of available candidates, rank order his or her preferences from the most to the least preferred. The first candidate to meet the winning quota will be declared elected. The winning quota will be determined by counting first place preferences on to last place until the quota is filled. The candidate or candidates filling the quota with the most votes will be declared winner or winners, respectively. (4/04/75)~~

135: The Elections Chair shall confirm all appointments of new Senators and prepare the full Senate Roster for the upcoming academic year by May 1st. (2.6.19)

~~Ballots shall contain, in alphabetical order, the names of those eligible for election and a statement of the date by which they must be returned to the Chairperson of the Elections Committee. Accompanying the ballot, there shall be an envelope addressed to the Chairperson of the Election Committee in which the completed ballot shall be returned.~~

~~136: Ballots shall be counted by the standing Committee on Elections. The results for each Division shall be announced as soon as feasible. If required, the second ballot shall be mailed at the same time. (4/04/75)~~

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