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S09-3, Policy Recommendation, Senate Elections

Legislative History: Amends By-Laws 1.5 and 1.6

At its meeting of May 11, 2009, the Academic Senate approved the following policy recommendation presented by Senator McClory for the Election Committee.

Workload Impact: None
Senate Bylaws

1.5   Representatives to the Academic Senate shall be nominated by a petition signed
        by at least ten (10) members of the faculty electorate of the appropriate election
        unit.   The candidate shall indicate by his/her signature on the petition his/her
        willingness to serve if selected.

        1.5.1   If there is no candidate for an Academic Senate seat by the end of the filing

Personnel Plan) position.
6) assumption of the role of Academic Senate Chair
7) no candidate files for a vacant seat

b) Faculty representatives, who accept one semester leaves with or without pay, may resign from the Senate or request the selection of a replacement for one semester, following the procedures listed in 1.6.1 above.

c) If no candidate files for a vacancy by the deadline, it shall be filled for one year by a person in that constituency selected by the Executive Committee after consultation with the Senators from that constituency. A permanent replacement shall be elected to fill out the remainder of the term as part of the next General Election.

d) If only one candidate files a nominating petition for a vacancy, the dean (or Senate Administrator for the General Unit election) shall not conduct an election but shall so report to the Executive Committee, and the Executive Committee shall declare the single candidate elected.

e) If a vacancy occurs during the months of January or February, the seat shall be filled following the procedures listed in 1.6.1 above for temporary vacancies and the Senator shall hold the seat for the remainder of the academic year. A permanent replacement shall be elected to fill out the remainder of the term as part of the General Election.