

## **Bylaw #202 Proposed Change**

### **Original Bylaw 202**

202:

The election of a Senate Vice-President and a Secretary shall be made at the first meeting of the Academic Senate following completion of the regular annual elections. Their terms of office shall be one year, and all officers of the Senate may succeed themselves. (3/03/71)

### **Proposed Change**

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The election of the VP and Secretary shall be staggered with the VP elected for two years in the spring of even years and the Secretary elected for two years in the spring of odd years.

#### **Vice-President**

An all-faculty election of the Senate Vice-President shall take place during the spring semester and be announced no later than the last meeting of the academic year. Their term of office shall be two years, and the VP of the Senate may succeed themselves.

All current senators who have served the previous academic year prior to a Vice-President election are eligible to be nominated. It is advisable that candidates have at least one year of experience as an executive committee member or two years' experience as a senator. Senators can self-nominate. In the event there is only one candidate for Vice President, the ballot must include space for an eligible write-in candidate.

If the Vice President, during the first year of their term, relinquishes their position, the Academic Senate Executive Committee shall appoint an executive committee member or a sitting senator to serve in the position for the rest of the academic year and an election for the VP to coincide with the Secretary election will be held in the spring to complete the second year of the term.

If the Vice President, during the second year of their term, relinquishes their position, the Academic Senate Executive Committee shall appoint an executive committee member or a sitting senator to serve in the position for the rest of the term. The appointment is confirmed by popular vote of the Academic Senate. (3/4/24)

#### **Secretary**

An all-faculty election of the Secretary shall take place during the spring semester and be announced no later than the last meeting of the academic year. Their term of office shall be two years, and the Secretary of the Senate may succeed themselves.

All current senators are eligible to be nominated for the election of Secretary. It is advisable that candidates have at least one year of experience as a senator. Senators can self-nominate. In the

event there is only one candidate for Secretary, the ballot must include space for an eligible write-in candidate.

If the Secretary, during the first year of their term, relinquishes their position, the Academic Senate Executive Committee shall appoint a sitting senator to serve in the position for the rest of the academic year and an election for the Secretary to coincide with the VP election will be held in the spring to complete the second year of the term.

If the Secretary, during the second year of their term, relinquishes their position, the Academic Senate Executive Committee shall appoint a sitting senator to serve in the position for the rest of the term. The appointment is confirmed by popular vote of the Academic Senate. (3/4/24)