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**FACULTY PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION**

SR-01-02-18 (FPC)

Recommends that should the dean or other head of an academic unit fail in his/her duties to hold an election for Faculty Senate purposes and to report the results of that election to the Faculty Senate president, the Faculty Senate shall initiate and conduct the election.

1. The President of the Faculty Senate shall, via e-mail, contact each full-time voting member of the unit and announce the opening and request nominations (including self-nominations). A period of up to two weeks (10 working days) but not less than one week (5 working days) may be set as the time during which nominations will be accepted.
2. At the end of the nomination period a ballot will be prepared, duplicated, and distributed by the Secretary of the Faculty Senate to the full-time voting members of the unit. The Secretary shall personally distribute the ballots by handing them to each prospective voter or by placing the ballots in the faculty members' campus mailboxes.
3. Article VIII--BY-LAWS, Bylaw #1 Sections 2, 3 and 4 will then be followed.
4. Faculty members in an academic unit wanting to challenge the results of an election as reported by the dean or head of that unit, may do so by presenting the Faculty Senate president a petition challenging the election and asking for a new election. The petition must be signed by at least 30% of the full time faculty members of that unit. Units are determined by the Senate structure.

The Faculty Senate president is responsible for verifying that the signatures are members of the unit and that they represent 30% of the faculty members of the unit. The petition shall be held in confidence.

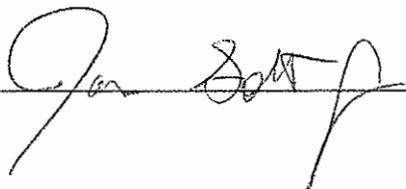
Upon receipt and verification of the petition, the Faculty Senate president shall conduct a new election, starting with the nomination process of the Senate conducted election process.

RATIONALE:

Senate elections have been conducted without problems to date, so the regular process does not need to be altered. Senate conducted elections would occur only when an appropriate administrator fails to initiate an election for Faculty Senate purposes, or to distribute ballots, or to report election results to the Senate. Senate conducted elections will ensure representation of the faculty in units in which the regular election process fails to produce representation as allowed in the Senate Constitution or in which faculty believe the results have been reported inaccurately.

FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT:

APPROVED
BY SENATE:



DATE: 5-17-02

DISAPPROVED
BY SENATE:

DATE:

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

APPROVED: _____ DATE: _____

DISAPPROVED: *Don Clark* DATE: 5/16/02

COMMENTS: This would appear to allow 30% of the faculty to overturn an
 election.

