Motion 2: Proposal for Faculty Senate Chair

The Ad Hoc Committee proposes the following changes to the Faculty Handbook, section VII. The Faculty Senate:

C. Organization of the Senate

II. Chair of the Senate

a. The Chair of the Senate shall be nominated annually in April and elected in May from the elected membership by the Senate. The election is to be held during the organizational meeting for the newly constituted Senate. To be eligible to serve as Chair, a Senator shall have tenure and at least one semester’s prior service in the Senate. A Chair may not serve more than two terms consecutively.

g. When possible, the Chair of the Senate should be eligible for will receive one-half release time from teaching and other department and college responsibilities. It is the responsibility of the Chair of the Senate to initiate a request for released time through normal channels. The chair’s home department or unit will receive funds to cover the salary of a part-time replacement for the reduced teaching load of the chair.