

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD

ACADEMIC SENATE

Senate Constitution Changes: Elections Task Force Recommendations

RES 141538

EC

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of CSU, Bakersfield make the following changes to its Constitution.

Article 8 Academic Senate Committees

Section 3 Elections Committee (p. 103 of the University Handbook)

A. Membership:

~~The Academic Senate Vice Chair shall serve as the Elections Committee Chair and be the representative of that individual's constituent unit. The Academic Senate shall elect from its voting membership one representative from each remaining constituent unit.~~

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The Academic Senate Vice Chair shall serve as the Elections Committee Chair. The Chair of each School Elections Committee shall serve as a member of the Academic Senate Elections Committee.

B. Duties:

The Elections Committee shall administer all Academic Senate and General Faculty elections using the "single-transferable-vote system," based on preferential voting as described in Robert's Rules of Order.

RATIONALE: This change is intended to ensure well-informed representation from all schools on the Academic Senate Elections Committee by including all School Elections Committee Chairs as members. The Vice Chair of the Academic Senate does not have an active role throughout the elections process at the school level, and does not provide the same expertise in place of the School Elections Committee Chair.

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