



Standing Committee - Bylaws Change

RES 232405

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RESOLVED: That the Bylaws reflect the election process for Standing Committee Chairs. (Deletions in ~~strike through~~ and additions in **bold underline**, as edited below.)

SECTION IV: STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Regulations Governing Standing Committees

1. Standing Committee Chairs shall be elected by the Academic Senate from its membership at the Organizational Senate meeting at the end of Spring semester. **A call for nominations for Standing Committee Chair positions should be posted two weeks prior to the Organizational meeting. Eligible members include those who have served at least one year on the Academic Senate and have served at least one year on the Standing Committee, either presently or in the past, for which the Chair position is sought. Each nominee is expected to express their interest and identify their qualifications at the Organizational meeting.**

RATIONALE: The current process by which a Senator is nominated for a Standing Committee Chair does not give enough time for nominations to be considered, and then time for adequate consideration of the candidates prior to a vote of the Senate. The goal is to make the process transparent and open, giving the Senate time to consider a meaningful vote during the Organizational Senate meeting in Spring. The underlined addition also makes clear who is eligible for nomination as Chair of a Standing Committee.

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