

Motion 3:

The Faculty Senate recommends to the Faculty-at-large that the duties of the Elections Committee and the Committee on Committees be merged to form a standing committee called the Elections and University Nominations Committee as one of the Committees of the Faculty Senate. (See The Faculty Handbook: Part VII Organization of the Faculty of Eastern Kentucky University; Section VII The Faculty Senate, E. Committees of the Senate.)

The current duties of those committees are as follows:

2. Committee on Committees

- a) The Committee on Committees shall consist of five members elected by the Senate from its elected membership. Committee membership shall be for the duration of the elected senator's current term.
- b) The Committee Chair shall be elected annually by the Committee from among its membership.
- c) The Committee on Committees shall advise the President concerning formulation of standing committees of the Faculty-at-Large and the selection of appointed members of faculty standing committees.
- d) One week before each Executive Committee meeting, the Chair of the Committee shall submit written minutes or a progress report to the Chair of the Senate who will forward them to the Secretary of the Senate for permanent filing. The Chair of the Committee shall submit a written annual report to the Faculty Senate at the May meeting.

3. Committee on Elections

- a) The Committee on Elections shall consist of five members elected by the Senate from among its elected membership. Committee membership shall be for the duration of the elected senator's current term.
- b) The Committee Chair shall be elected annually by the Committee from among its membership.
- c) The Committee on Elections shall supervise all nominations and elections for Senate membership as provided in this Constitution.
- d) One week before each Executive Committee meeting, the Chair of the Committee shall submit written minutes or a progress report to the Chair of the Senate who will forward them to the Secretary of the Senate for permanent filing. The Chair of the Committee shall submit a written annual report to the Faculty Senate at the May meeting.

The combined duties of the committee would be as follows:

2. Committee on Elections and University Nominations

- a) The Committee on Elections and University Nominations shall consist of five members elected by the Senate from among its elected membership. Committee membership shall be for the duration of the elected senator's current term.
- b) The Committee Chair shall be elected annually by the Committee from among its membership.
- c) The Committee on Elections and University Nominations shall supervise all nominations and elections for Senate membership as provided in this Constitution.
- d) The Committee shall advise the President concerning formulation of standing committees of the Faculty-at-Large and the selection of appointed members of faculty standing committees.
- e) One week before each Executive Committee meeting, the Chair of the Committee shall submit written minutes or a progress report to the Chair of the Senate who will forward them to the Secretary of the Senate for permanent filing. The Chair of the Committee shall submit a written annual report to the Faculty Senate at the May meeting.

JUSTIFICATION OF THE MOTION:

Members of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee at the end of the 2011-2012 academic year realized that the number of Faculty Senate Committees has grown to a number whereby it is increasingly difficult to find enough faculty senate members willing to serve on those committees. Members of the executive committee who had served (or were currently serving) on both the committee on committees and the committee on elections agreed that, while the tasks of each committee were essential to effective operations of the Faculty Senate, the tasks could be adequately accomplished by one committee rather than two.