

TO: Faculty Senate
FROM: The Rules Committee
DATE: 11/7/16
Motion 1

The Committee on Rules requests that the Faculty Senate adopt the following motion at its meeting on 11/7 /16.

MOTION: We propose that Part Seven, section VII, item B. 2. f) on alternates be changed in the following way.

All voting members of the Senate are elected to represent the faculty in their departments. In order to ensure consistent and accurate representation, each department is ~~also asked~~ **required** to elect an alternate for a three-year term in addition to their regular Senator(s). ~~Departments have the option to elect an alternate for each representative Senator. Each election unit shall be entitled but not required to elect alternate delegates (as many as the unit deems feasible) to ensure voting rights of their faculty. The~~ Alternates may attend for any Senator ~~in their departments with more than one representative.~~ Elected alternates will possess full voting rights and attend meetings when the elected Senator is unavailable. In situations ~~where in which~~ an alternate is ~~either not elected or is~~ unable to attend, a substitute may attend. Substitutes are allowed to speak to issues and report back to their departments, but substitutes do not have voting rights. The Senate Chair and/or Secretary ~~should~~ **must** be notified ~~in advance no later than 10:00am on the day of the meeting~~ whenever an alternate or a substitute will attend a Senate meeting in place of a Senator.

JUSTIFICATION: Requiring each department to have an alternate ensures each department will have full representation at every senate meeting.