

Elections and University Nominations Committee of the Faculty Senate

March 27, 2017 3:30-4:30pm, Library 204G

Present: Nicola Mason (chair), Randall Swain, Todd Gooch, Matthew Irvin, Todd Hartch

1. Approval of Minutes, 2.27.2017

2. Progress of university standing committee elections

Responses:

General Education – Garret Yoder

Graduate Council – Jerry Pogatchnik (concern about who can vote – place restrictions)

Intellectual Property – Gus Benson

Library – Betina Gardner

Research – Gus Benson

Discussion: voting within college for seat in that college.

Review Timeline:

1. **In February**, Elections & University Nominations Committee corresponds with the Office of Institutional Research for dissemination of **self-nomination survey** for faculty member vacancies on specified committees. Results of self-nominations are **verified** by the Faculty Senate Elections & University Nominations Committee.
2. Thereafter, a **ballot** that includes all eligible self-nominees and their brief statements of interest and qualifications is disseminated via email to all eligible voters by the Office of Institutional Research. Each eligible voter may vote for one nominee to fill each of the vacant seats on the committee i.e. if there are two faculty member vacancies within a college, two nominees may be elected from that college.
3. **In April**, results of the elections are verified by the Faculty Senate Elections and University Nominations Committee. Those faculty with the most votes for each committee vacancy will be recommended to the President for consideration of appointment.

3. Progress of Senator election procedures

a. Part-time representative

Andrea Wickersham (Psychology Department)

Julie Smith (School of Music)

Sarah Perez (Department of Government & Economics)

Ken Southgate (Communication Department)

Verify candidacy (review policy)

“Adjunct Faculty” is defined in Policy 4.6.13 as: “faculty employed part-time by the University primarily for instruction. Adjunct faculty may include, but are not limited to, persons in the Retirement Transition Program, facilitators for online courses, dual credit instructors, and administrators or staff. “

IR survey and ECU TODAY NOTICE

b. Senator elections – REMINDER EMAIL TO ALL CHAIRS (include vacating senator list)

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c. Chair/Vice chair – requirements, nominees process

4. Rules committee – internal procedure update

The Senate Executive Committee is asking the Rules Committee to devise language to update the Faculty Handbook to clarify that **lecturers and clinical faculty** should be counted in determining departments' Senate representation total, and should have department-level votes for issues with which Senate deals, but should not be eligible to serve on Senate. This is the Executive Committee's recommendation, but will be open for additional discussion as appropriate. The Elections Committee will be able to develop instructions for departments accordingly, and should identify a timeline going forward to meet departments' needs.

Next meeting: Verify Chair/Vice chair nominees, verify university committee nominees

Adjourn: 4:30pm