Background statement: The resignation of the Chair of the Senate generated a question for interpretation of the bylaws. This resolution is to expressly detail the Vice Chair is to succeed to the Chair and a replacement Vice Chair is to be elected from the Senate for the remainder of the term of office.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee based this interpretation upon: (1) common practice, (2) a need for continuity in the operation of the Senate, and (3) belief that the other specified duties of the Vice Chair can be accomplished by a person elected during the term since many of them are to be accomplished late in the school year.

This resolution was passed by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee on October 25, 1988 with a vote of 5 for, 0 against. One member was absent. The schools of Architecture & Environmental Design and Science & Mathematics had no appointed representatives at the time of voting.

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RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE BYLAWS TO CLARIFY SUCCESSION OF VICE CHAIR TO CHAIR AND ELECTION OF A REPLACEMENT VICE CHAIR WHEN THE CHAIR IS PERMANENTLY VACATED

WHEREAS, There is need to have continuity of operation of the Senate in the event of a permanent vacancy of the Chair; and

WHEREAS, The Vice Chair can supply this continuum; and

WHEREAS, A replacement Vice Chair will be needed to complete the duties of that office; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Bylaws of the Academic Senate be amended as follows:

Article III.A.2. Vice Chair
In the event of a permanent vacancy of the Office of Chair, the Vice Chair shall succeed to that office and a replacement Vice Chair shall be elected to complete the term of office. The Vice Chair shall serve in the capacity of the Chair during his/her absence or upon the request of the Chair. The Vice Chair shall be responsible for compiling the annual reports from the committees and submitting these reports to the members of the Academic Senate.

Article VII.1.5.b.(4) Election of Senate Officers
(c) The committee shall receive nominations for other eligible candidates from the floor of the Senate provided that (1) at least two senators second the nomination, and (2) the nominee is present and agrees to serve if elected.
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(d) The committee shall conduct the election of Senate
officers at the regular May meeting of the Senate.
Officers shall be elected one at a time: first the Chair,
then the Vice Chair, and finally the Secretary.

(e) In the event of a vacancy in the offices of the Senate,
the committee shall conduct an election at the next
meeting of the Senate to fill the unexpired term.
Nominations shall be made from the floor of the
Senate in compliance with subsection (3) above.

Proposed By:
Constitution and
Bylaws Committee
January 17, 1989
To: Charles T. Andrews, Chair
   Academic Senate

From: Warren G. Baker,
      President

Subject: Academic Senate Resolutions 310 and 311

This will acknowledge receipt of your memo of February 22 with which you transmitted the two subject resolutions for my information that were adopted by the Academic Senate at its meeting of February 21. Since both of these resolutions deal with bylaws changes of the senate relating the operations of the senate, there is no further action required on my part.