

ACADEMIC SENATE
of
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, CA

AS-737-11

RESOLUTION ON MODIFICATION TO *BYLAWS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE*,
SECTION III: ELECTION PROCEDURES

1 WHEREAS, The *Bylaws of the Academic Senate* does not currently contain procedural language specific
2 to matters requiring a vote by the General Faculty; therefore, be it
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4 RESOLVED: That the following modifications be added to *Bylaws of the Academic Senate*, Section III:
5 Election Procedures:
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7 [Add to Section III heading]

8 VOTING AND ELECTION PROCEDURES

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10 [Add second paragraph under Section III]

11 The balloting procedures described in 'Section III.A: General Procedures' will
12 be used when voting on amendments to the *Constitution of the Faculty* and all
13 campus or statewide measures requiring a vote by the General Faculty.

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15 [Add to III.A.6]

16 For elections, those candidates who receive the highest number of votes shall be
17 declared elected.

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19 [Add as III.A.8]

20 For other matters and issues requiring faculty votes, measures are approved
21 when they receive a majority of faculty voting on the matter, unless documents
22 governing a measure specify a different formula for approval.
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Proposed by: Academic Senate Executive Committee

Date: September 20 2011

III. ELECTION PROCEDURES

Elections shall be held for membership to the Academic Senate, Senate offices, Academic Senate CSU, Grants Review Committee, appropriate recall elections for the preceding as per Section IX of these bylaws, and ad hoc committees created to search for such university positions as president, provost, vice presidents, college deans, and similar type administrative positions.

The balloting procedures described in 'Section III.A: General Procedures' will be used when voting on amendments to the *Constitution of the Academic Senate* and all campus or statewide measures requiring a vote by the General Faculty.

A. GENERAL PROCEDURES

Balloting procedures shall use either: an electronic voting system or a "double envelope system" (outside envelope signed, inside envelope sealed and containing the voted ballot), whichever is more appropriate to the nature of the election and which ensures that only eligible persons will vote and ballots remain secret.

1. Time and manner of nominations and elections will be announced in a timely fashion to facilitate maximum faculty participation.
2. Voter and candidate eligibility shall be verified.
3. The Executive Committee will rule on questions as they arise and serve as an appeals body to rule on any allegations of irregularities in the nomination and election process.
4. Votes will be publicly tallied at an announced time and place, and results of the election will be published.
5. Ballots will be counted electronically if electronic voting is used. If the "double envelope system" is used, ballots will be counted only if they are properly signed and received by the announced closing date. Individual voting information will be retained for ten working days.
6. For elections, those candidates who receive the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.
7. Department/teaching area representation shall have precedence in elections according to Article II.C.3 of the *Bylaws of the Academic Senate*.
8. For other matters and issues requiring faculty votes, measures are approved when they receive a majority of faculty voting on the matter, unless documents governing a measure specify a different formula for approval.

State of California
Memorandum

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SAN LUIS OBISPO

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Chair, Academic Senate

Date: January 11, 2012

From: Jeffrey D. Armstrong
President



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Subject: Response to Academic Senate Resolution AS-737-11
Resolution on Modification to *Bylaws of the Academic Senate*,
Section III: Election Procedures

This memo formally acknowledges receipt and approval of the above-entitled Academic Senate resolution.

Please express my appreciation to the Academic Senate members for their work on this issue.