RESOLUTION ON MODIFICATIONS TO THE BYLAWS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

WHEREAS, The Bylaws of the Academic Senate occasionally need to be updated for clarity and to reflect best practices; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the relevant section of the Bylaws of the Academic Senate be modified as shown on the attached copy.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Executive Committee
Date: October 11, 2022
BYLAWS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

VIII. COMMITTEES

B. MEMBERSHIP

These nominations shall be taken to a meeting of the Executive Committee before the June regular meeting of the Senate. The Executive Committee shall appoint members to standing committee vacancies from these lists. Each appointed member shall serve a two-year term with a maximum appointment of four consecutive terms on one committee. Terms shall be staggered to ensure continuity. Some committees have exceptions to these term length and limits, which are specified in the committee’s description.

The Executive Committee may override term limits when appointing members to committees where only the incumbent is willing to serve in an open spot. The incumbent zombie member appointed this way will be considered termed out again at the end of the next term, not the end of the committee’s term limits. They are subject to the same approval process at that time.

C. COMMITTEE CHAIRS

1. Chairs shall be members of the General Faculty.
2. Committee chairs shall be voting members and may be chosen from inside or outside the committees. The chair need not be an academic senator.
3. The Executive Committee may choose to appoint the committee chairs. If the Executive Committee chooses not to appoint a committee chair, then the chair of that committee shall be elected by a majority vote of the eligible voting members on the committee.
4. If the committee chair is selected from amongst the voting members of the committee, the chair shall remain a voting member. If the chair is selected from outside the committee, or from amongst the eligible non-voting members, then the chair shall serve as a non-voting chair, not representing a particular caucus or unit. Non-voting chairs may vote to break a tie.
I. COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS

9. General Education Governance Board
   (a) Membership

   (4) The GEGB chair will serve four-year terms for a maximum of 2 consecutive terms. The GEGB chair will be appointed by the provost following a recommendation from the Academic Senate Executive Committee and the GEB.

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(7) GEGB members will serve three-year terms for a maximum of three consecutive terms. Faculty members and PCS members on the GEB will be appointed by the Academic Senate Executive Committee.
MEMORANDUM

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Date: February 9, 2023

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Subject: Response to AS-954-23 Resolution on Modifications to the Bylaws of the Academic Senate

By way of this memo, I acknowledge receipt of the above-entitled Academic Senate resolution. I endorse the modifications pertaining to Section VIII. of the Bylaws of the Academic Senate.

Please extend my appreciation to the Academic Senate Executive Committee for their prompt attention to this matter.