

BYLAWS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section III.E of the University Senate Bylaws (the “Bylaws”) provide general nominating procedures for such matters as timelines for nominations, elections, tabulations, and the invitation of newly elected Senators to a Spring meeting;

WHEREAS, the Bylaws state specifically that the [Bylaws and Elections] Committee provide widespread messaging to all full time faculty and staff calling for nominations; to collect the nominations; to confirm the eligibility of the nominations; to confirm the candidate’s eligibility, ability and interest, and to perform elections.

WHEREAS, the Bylaws include a preferred, although not a mandatory, timeline as follows: nominations *should* occur in February; the election *should* be in March; tabulation of the votes *should* take place in April; and new University Senators *should* have the opportunity to attend the April meeting.

WHEREAS, the University Senate, has undertaken a yearlong process of developing a path forward to reconstitute the University Senate, and has proposed, and unanimously obtained approval of, new measures that would change the composition of the University Senate, the call for nominations, the elections and tabulations as well as the time-lines related thereto.

WHEREAS, the University Senate, seeks the President’s approval of the measures to amend the Bylaws, as this approval would be necessary to define aspects of the call for nominations, the elections, tabulations and timelines;

NOW THEREFORE, the Bylaws and Elections Committee seeks ratification and approval from the University Senate that the timelines and the process of nominations, elections, tabulations, elections, and the first meeting of newly elected Senators should be moved from Spring semester to: early in the Fall semester for the 2022 election year.

APPROVED: _____ DATE: _____, 2022