Two By-Laws Change Proposals: Governance Council

1. Restore the duty of chair of Committee on Committees to the President-Elect; this has in fact been the current practice, but it does not follow the current by-laws. A consequence of this would be that the President-Elect would then be a voting member (as Committee on Committee chair) of the Governance Council.

Proposed Action: In the Bylaws Article II, Section 4E, create item 4: The President-Elect will chair the Committee on Committees; the members will consist of the caucus chairs.

Article II, Section 4. Organization

- E. Roles of the President-elect
- 1. The president-elect will advise and assist the senate president. In the case of the senate president's temporary absence, the president-elect will chair meetings and otherwise act on behalf of the senate president.
- 2. The president-elect will represent the Faculty Senate at the various university forums, councils, and committees that require or request the president-elect's participation, and those in which the senate president has designated the president-elect to represent the senate.
- 3. Should the office of senate president become vacant for any reason, the president-elect will become the senate president. Whenever the office of president-elect is vacant, a new president-elect will be elected. The new president-elect will take office immediately, and his/her senate seat becomes a temporary vacancy (see Article II, Sections 11-12). The term of office of the person elected to fill this vacancy will be three years.
- 4. The President-Elect will chair the Committee on Committees; the members will consist of the caucus chairs.

Article VI, Section 2. Council on Faculty Governance

- B. Committees of the Council on Faculty Governance
- 1. Committee on Committees
 - b. Membership Voting: The voting members will consist of the caucus chairs from each college and the President-Elect, who a representative from each college and the president-elect. One voting member will serve as chair. The committee will attain reasonably diverse college representation in its appointments."
- 2. Create a "Representative Committee" made up of the officers and Caucus Chairs, to advise the President. This committee would meet when necessary and serve as a parallel committee to the Administrative Committee, which is made up of the officers and the Council Chairs.

Proposed Action: In the Bylaws Article II, Section 4B, add: **The officers and caucus chairs** constitute the Representative Committee.

Article II, Section 4. Organization

The officers of the Faculty Senate, the college caucuses, the Executive Board, the councils, and the

committees are created and the memberships specified.

- A. The councils and committees referred to in Article II, Section 4, of the Constitution are created and described below in Article VI of these Bylaws.
- B. The officers and council chairs constitute the Administrative Committee. <u>The officers and caucus chairs constitute the Representative Committee.</u> The<u>se</u> committees exists only as an advisory body to the senate president, who will call meetings when desired.