Resolution: One-Year Trial to Elect Standing and General Committee Chairs in Spring

Source: Academic Senate Executive Committee – February 2007

Resolved: That the Academic Senate supports a one-year trial to select chairs of standing and general committees prior to summer recess.

Resolved: By May 11, 2007, all standing and general committees shall elect a chair to serve for the 2007-08 academic year from among the continuing committee members. The chair will be responsible for convening the first meeting of the academic year, not later than September 30.

Rationale: This action will allow committees to begin working more rapidly in fall semester and insures that leadership of each committee has some experience with the issues considered by the committee. A survey of standing committee members in fall 2006 showed this strategy was favored by 66% (63 of 95) respondents.

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