

The Constitution of the Faculty Senate of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

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A. Name

This organization shall be known as the Faculty Senate of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

B. Authority

The Faculty Senate derives its authority from the actions of the University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees, as provided in Section 3, Chapter 75 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

The Faculty Senate, in its responsibilities and relationships with other governing components of the Campus and of the University as a whole, shall be guided by the Board of Trustees' Statement on University Governance (Trustee Document T73-098, as amended), which grants to the faculty "primary responsibility" in all matters academic and faculty status, as defined in that document, and by relevant provisions of any Board of Trustees/Faculty Federation Collective Bargaining Agreement currently in force.

Wherever any of the provisions, recommendations or actions of the Faculty Senate are in conflict with said Collective Bargaining Agreement, the provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement shall prevail

In the case of conflict between this Constitution and the constitution, policies or procedures of any college, school or other Campus governance body, this Constitution shall take precedence.

C. Role

The Faculty Senate shall be concerned with academic matters and matters relating to the intellectual life of the University, including:

1. Standards and policies for the admission of students, including transfer students.
2. Standards and policies for the granting of honorary degrees and honors awards for students.
3. Policy for minimum residence requirements for awarding a University of Massachusetts Dartmouth degree in a major field.
4. Standards for grading and academic regulations.
5. Policies affecting student activities and cultural affairs (with student consultation).
6. Policies governing University Research.
7. Policies governing the Library.
8. Policies governing computer usage.
9. Assumption by the University of research or service obligations to private or public agencies.
10. Expression of faculty opinion on matters brought to it under ~~Section 2. h)~~ Section F as reported by the University Standing Committees.

D. Composition of the Senate

For the purposes of the Faculty Senate, a member of the faculty shall be defined as any full-time member of the teaching or research staff of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth holding a faculty rank as defined in ~~Article I-B~~. **the Board of Trustees/Faculty Federation Collective Bargaining Agreement currently in force.**

- 1) The Senate shall consist of **not less than eight percent (8%) of the number of faculty at the University** ~~fifty-four(54)~~ as voting members as follows: **DETAILS MOVED TO BY-LAWS**
 - ~~a) Three (3) persons from each of the academic councils (College of Visual and Performing Arts, Business, Engineering, Humanities, Nursing, Science, Social Sciences), , one (1) from SEPPCE and one (1) from SMAST. The representative(s) from each council shall be elected by the faculty members of that council. One (1) professional librarian shall be elected by the professional librarians and one (1) professional technician shall be elected by the professional technicians.~~
 - a) Three (3) persons from each of the College Academic Councils and one (1) from each of the Graduate School Academic Councils. The representative(s) from each council shall be elected by the faculty members of that council. One (1) professional librarian shall be elected by the professional librarians and one (1) professional technician shall be elected by the professional technicians. DETAILS MOVED TO BY-LAWS**
 - ~~b) Twenty nine (29) members at large taken from the university as a whole. **Members-at-large elected from the University as a whole. The number of members-at-large will be at least equal to the number of representatives elected from the Academic Councils.** Any full time tenure-track faculty member, professional librarian, or professional technician may be elected to the Faculty Senate by a vote of the entire faculty, professional librarians, and professional technicians. **DETAILS MOVED TO BY-LAWS**~~
- 2) All Senators shall be elected for three-year (3) terms, except when elected to fill unexpired terms. The candidates receiving the largest plurality shall be elected.
- 3) In the event that an election does not result in filling the vacancies, the President of the Faculty Senate, with the advice and consent of the Steering Committee, shall appoint members from eligible faculty.
- 4) Members will begin serving their terms at the last regularly scheduled meeting of the academic year of their election. The officers and Steering Committee shall be elected at that meeting.
- 5) Any member of the faculty shall have the right to attend meetings of the Senate (but without the right to vote or make motions) and to address the Senate on a matter of interest at the appropriate time at any duly constituted meeting when recognized by the presiding officer.
- 6) The Senate may invite whomever it desires to attend meetings and address the assembly.

E. Faculty Senate Officers and Duties

- 1) The President of the Faculty Senate shall be elected annually by the members of the Senate from among its members. Every effort shall be made to adjust the schedule of the President of the Faculty Senate for the execution of all duties as a faculty member and responsibilities to the Faculty Senate. Duties of the President shall be:
 - a) To preside at meetings of the Senate.
 - b) To call special meetings of the Senate on personal initiative or at the petition of the faculty or Steering Committee.
 - c) To preside at meetings of the Steering Committee.
 - d) To serve ex officio on all Senate Committees.

- 2) The Secretary of the Faculty Senate shall be elected annually by the members of the Senate from among the members of the Steering Committee. Duties shall be:
 - a) To keep the official rolls of the membership of the Senate and the faculty.
 - b) To prepare and publish minutes of all Senate meetings.
 - c) To receive reports from all committees of the Senate to be filed as part of the permanent records of the Senate.
 - d) To perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the By-laws or by the Steering Committee.

- 3) The Steering Committee shall consist of the President of the Faculty Senate and eight (8) other members elected annually by and from the members of the Senate. One member of the Steering Committee shall be represented from each of the Business, Engineering, Humanities, Nursing, Science, Social Sciences, and Visual & Performing Arts ~~councils~~ **Academic Councils, one (1) member elected to represent the graduate schools (Law, SEPPCE and SMAST),** and one (1) librarian. The Steering Committee shall meet regularly at least once a month and meet at the call of the President. On petition of any three (3) of its members, the President must call a meeting within five (5) working days. Its duties shall be:
 - a) To prepare the agenda for regular meetings of the Senate.
 - b) To submit to the President of the Senate for consideration a list of nominees for membership on University Standing Committees except the College and University Curriculum Committees and the General Education Committee. The President shall appoint the faculty members of each Standing Committee. Any member of the faculty may be appointed to these committees. There shall be student representation on University Standing Committees. Student representatives shall be designated by the appropriate student government.
 - c) To appoint all ad hoc Senate Committees and their chairpersons. Any member of the faculty may be appointed to these committees.
 - d) To serve as the Faculty Senate's sole channel of communication with the Chancellor

F. Meetings

- 1) The Senate shall meet regularly once each month during the academic year.
- 2) Special meetings may be requested through the President of the Faculty Senate. The President must call a special meeting not more than fourteen (14) days after written petition to the President of the Senate by a majority of the members of the Steering Committee or ten (10%) percent of the faculty. Members of the Senate shall receive at least five (5) days notice of a special meeting. Special meetings held in an emergency with less than five (5) days notice may transact business only on a vote receiving an absolute majority of the Faculty Senate.
- 3) A quorum for the transaction of any business shall be the presence of half of the members.

G. **Standing Faculty Senate Committees**

1) Curriculum Committees - General

~~Curriculum Committees shall be established~~ **There shall be Curricular Committees** to review and make recommendations regarding all curriculum changes involving courses or programs offered under the auspices of UMass Dartmouth if credits earned in those courses or programs can be applied to an academic degree granted through a department or college of the University.

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- a) These committees shall include Departmental Curriculum Committees, College Curriculum Committees, and a University Curriculum Committee.
- b) The Department, College, and University Curriculum Committees shall base their review and recommendations on educational standards and the availability and qualifications of faculty and the budgetary resources as determined by the appropriate Dean.
- c) Copies of the recommendations of the Department, College, and University Curriculum Committees shall be sent to (1) the Chancellor, (2) the Provost and all Deans, (3) all Department Chairpersons to be forwarded to the Department Curriculum Committees and (4) the President of the Faculty Federation for information. It shall be the responsibility of the Chairpersons of the Department, College and University Curriculum Committees to distribute copies of the

recommendations of their respective committees within seven (7) days from the date of their adoption.

- d) When a Department, Dean, or Curriculum Committee deems that a proposed curriculum change impinges on its academic area or involves possible allocations of resources, a conference may be requested before the appropriate Curriculum Committee. (The appropriate committee is the College Curriculum Committee for conferences requested by a Department or Dean within the same college; and the University Curriculum Committee for conferences requested on matters pertaining to more than one (1) college.)
- e) Copies of Curriculum Committee recommendations in regard to proposed curriculum changes that involve either graduate level courses or programs shall be sent by the Curriculum Committee Chairpersons within seven (7) days from the date of the adoption of the recommendation to the Graduate Council for its information.
- f) A suggested credit course which does not fall within an established department but within the general subject area of a college must be approved by the College Curriculum Committee. If the subject of a suggested credit course is university-wide in scope, it must be proved by the University Curriculum Committee. The department(s) close to the subject area shall be the sponsoring department(s) and shall carry out the departmental provisions of this Article.

2) Departmental Curriculum Committee

Each department shall establish a Departmental Curriculum Committee of a size to be determined by vote in each department. The committee shall consist of approximately equal representation from the faculty of the department and the students majoring in the department, with a faculty member serving as Chairperson. Departments with distinct options may establish such a committee for each option.

- a) **Where a College does not have independent and separate departments, there shall be a single College Curriculum Committee. This committee shall make recommendations to the full faculty for curriculum changes within the college, and upon college approval, submit them to the Dean of the College.**
- b) This committee shall make recommendations to the department for curriculum changes within the department, and upon departmental approval, submit them to the Dean of the College or School. When the proposed curriculum changes involve another department or college, the Dean will forward the proposals to either the College or University Curriculum Committee, as appropriate, for its recommendation.

~~In the College of Nursing, there shall be a single College Curriculum Committee. This committee shall make recommendations to the full faculty for curriculum changes within the college, and upon college approval, submit them to the Dean of the College.~~ **REPLACED WITH SECTION F.2 a)**

~~In the School of Marine Science and Technology, there shall be a single School Curriculum Committee. This committee shall make recommendations to the full faculty for curriculum changes within the school, and upon school approval, submit them to the Dean of SMAST.~~ **REPLACED WITH SECTION F.2 a)**

2) College Curriculum Committee

~~Each college shall establish a College Curriculum Committee. This committee shall consist of a faculty member and a student majoring within the department~~ **at least one (1) faculty member and one (1) student majoring within the department** elected from each department **in the college**. The committee shall elect its own Chairperson, who shall be a faculty member. **DETAILS MOVED TO BYLAWS**

- a) This committee shall make its recommendations to the Dean of the College on all proposed curriculum changes which involve two (2) or more departments within the college. The College Curriculum Committee shall be the Hearing Committee when there is a disagreement between two departments, one which requires a course for its majors in another department and the other which provides that course. The recommendation of the committee on a resolution of the disagreement shall be sent to the Dean of the College for action within thirty (30) days. A copy of the recommendation shall be sent to the Provost. This committee shall periodically review and make recommendations regarding distribution requirements within the college.
- b) The College Curriculum Committee shall recommend the requirements for earned degrees granted within the college including minimum requirements for majors, minors and special options in a field. Such recommendations shall be forwarded to the Dean of the College for action then to the Provost, then to the Chancellor. The recommendations shall take effect upon approval of the Chancellor.
- c) This committee shall serve as an Appeals Committee if the recommendations of the Dean of the College and a Departmental Curriculum Committee should differ. All motions on curriculum shall be passed at one (1) meeting by a vote of the majority of the actual membership of the committee, or by a simple majority of those attending the meeting at two (2) consecutive meetings for which adequate notice is given for the meeting and of the agenda.

3) University Curriculum Committee

~~This committee shall consist of two (2) faculty members elected from departments within each of the College Academic Councils, one (1) librarian, elected by the librarians, and one (1) student elected from a department within each College Academic Council. The term of service for bargaining unit members shall be two (2) years with the terms staggered for the two (2) faculty members elected by the same College Academic Council. The committee shall elect its own Chairperson who shall be a faculty member.~~ **REPLACED WITH PREAMBLE TEXT BELOW AND DETAILS MOVED TO BYLAWS**

There shall be a University Curriculum Committee. This committee shall consist of at least one (1) faculty member elected from departments within each of the College Academic Councils, one (1) librarian, elected by the librarians, and one (1) student elected from a department within each College Academic Council. No member of the University Curriculum Committee may serve on the General Education Committee. No member of a College Curriculum Committee may serve on the General Education Committee. The committee shall elect its own Chairperson.

This committee shall make recommendations to the Provost for action on all new courses or programs which involve the faculty of two (2) or more Colleges, or courses required for students outside the college in which the course is being offered. The committee shall also make recommendations on new programs or courses falling outside one of the established Colleges, or where the location of the new course or program is itself a matter of debate. Additionally, the committee shall also make recommendations on all new degree programs being recommended by any of the Colleges.

- a) The University Curriculum Committee shall be the Hearing Committee when there is disagreement between departments of two (2) Colleges, one (1) of which requires a course for its majors in another department and the other which provides that course. The recommendation of the committee on a resolution of the disagreement shall be sent to the Provost for action within thirty (30) days. A copy of the recommendation shall be sent to the Chancellor. The recommendation shall take effect upon approval of the Chancellor.
- b) This committee shall serve as an Appeals Committee if the recommendations of the Dean of the College and the College Curriculum Committee should differ.
- c) The University Curriculum Committee shall consider the establishment or discontinuance of all Graduate Programs proposed at the University.

4) General Education Committee

There shall be a General Education Committee which shall regularly review and be responsible for making recommendations on the University's general education requirements for undergraduate degrees.

~~The committee shall be composed of sixteen (16) members, two (2) from each Academic Council (except the SEPPCE Academic Council) elected by the faculty in that Academic Council. No member of the University Curriculum Committee may serve on the General Education Committee. No member of a College Curriculum Committee may serve on the General Education Committee. The committee shall elect its own Chairperson.~~ MOVED TO F.4 PREAMBLE BELOW AND DETAILS MOVED TO BYLAWS

This committee shall consist of at least one (1) faculty member elected from each of the College Academic Councils, except the graduate school Academic Councils, elected by the faculty in that Academic Council. No member of the University Curriculum Committee may serve on the General Education Committee. No member of a College Curriculum Committee may serve on the General Education Committee. The committee shall elect its own Chairperson.

- a) The committee's recommendations shall include the establishment, maintenance and periodic updating of lists of designated courses that satisfy each of the categories of General Education requirements. Courses shall be considered by the General Education Committee only upon endorsement by Department Chairs or Program Directors. To be included on a list of courses

that satisfy a General Education Requirement, a course must meet the standards approved by the Faculty Senate for the category. Lists of designated courses shall be recommended by the General Education committee to the Provost and may be reviewed for continuation by the General Education Committee. Recommendations of designated lists shall be updated in response to new course proposals offered by departments or programs. The list shall be reviewed in a regular time frame.

~~(1) The Standing Committees of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth are:~~

- 5) The Faculty Senate shall have Standing Committees, reporting to the Faculty Senate, which shall:
- i. prepare motions regarding their areas of responsibility,
 - ii. review, evaluate and report on Campus policies, procedures and programs in their areas of responsibility,
 - iii. advise Faculty Senate and the appropriate Campus administrators regarding the implementation of existing policy

The Standing Committees of the Faculty Senate shall include:

- c) Admissions Committee
- d) Computer Users Committee
- e) Cultural Affairs Committee
- f) Academic Ethical Standards Committee
- g) Library Committee. Two librarians shall be appointed to this committee. **MOVED TO BYLAWS**
- h) Research Committee
- i) Student Activities Committee
- j) Student-Faculty Academic Affairs Committee
- k) Student Financial Aid Committee
- l) College and University Curriculum Committees (See Article V.E.1,2,3 and 4) (See Article F.1,2 and 3)
- m) General Education Committee (See Article F.4)
- n) Honorary Degree Committee
- o) Commencement Committee
- p) The Academic Planning Committee
- q) Institutional Review Board (IRB)

The Faculty Senate may establish standing committees beyond those specified in this Constitution, may participate with the Administration and other Campus governance bodies in establishing joint committees, and may establish ad-hoc committees.

The Faculty Senate shall approve the charges of standing and ad-hoc committees. Membership on Committees shall be chosen to reflect a range and diversity of experience and representation. Each

Academic Council shall have at least one (1) representative on each committee, where possible, but no Council shall have a majority of voting faculty.

- 6) The Senate, after receiving the advice of the Steering Committee, shall determine the number of faculty members, graduate student members, and undergraduate student members on each committee except ~~j and k above.~~ **the University Curriculum Committee and the General Education Committee.**
- 7) Each committee shall establish its rules of procedure and shall elect its officers. ~~The Cultural Affairs Committee shall elect a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson or Co-Chairpersons, one of whom shall be a faculty member and the other a student. Requests for expenditures of funds must be signed by both the Chairperson and the Vice airperson (or Co-Chairpersons) to certify committee approval in addition to any other signatures required for processing the request.~~ **MOVED TO BYLAWS**
- 8) Procedures for Faculty Senate Recommendations
 - c) An item of concern may be brought to the attention of the Faculty Senate through the President of the Senate or its Steering Committee. Items may be raised during the course of regular Senate meetings.
 - d) In all cases where there exists an appropriate University Standing Committee, the items shall be sent to it by the Senate President upon receipt of the item. Where no such Standing Committee exists and where the item falls within the scope of the Faculty Senate, the Steering Committee itself shall take the item under consideration. No recommendation shall be considered by a Standing Committee or the Senate Steering Committee which is in violation of any provision of ~~this~~ **the Board of Trustees/Faculty Federation Bargaining Agreement.** The Steering Committee shall indicate a date for reporting the item out of committee. In no case shall this time exceed the third subsequent regular meeting of the Faculty Senate. All Standing Committees, including the Steering Committee, shall be urged to hold open hearings as part of their procedure for considering items referred to said committees.
 - e) Following due consideration of the item, the Senate Steering Committee shall be notified of any resolution to be placed on the agenda of a future Senate meeting.
 - f) The Steering Committee shall, at the same time, forward the resolution to the Provost with an expected date of consideration of the item before the full Senate.
 - g) The Provost shall forward the resolution and expected date of Senate action to the Council of Academic Deans for their review and recommendations. The Council of Academic Deans shall make their recommendations to the Provost. These recommendations and the Provost's recommendation shall be forwarded to the Chancellor.
 - h) Following final Senate action on the item, the Steering Committee shall send copies of the Senate recommendation together with the recommendation of the University Standing Committee (or Senate Steering Committee) to the Chancellor for a decision.
 - i) Where a recommendation for action by the Faculty Senate involves powers previously delegated by the Board of Trustees to the Chancellor, the Chancellor shall so indicate to the President of the Faculty Senate as part of the stated reaction to the recommendation of the Faculty Senate. The Chancellor shall further state either agreement with the resolution of the Faculty Senate and, therefore, an intention to implement the Senate's recommendation or disagreement with

the recommendation of the Senate. In those cases where the Chancellor disagrees with the recommendation of the Senate, the Senate shall reconsider its recommendation and either develop an alternate recommendation or reaffirm its original recommendation by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate membership. An alternate recommendation developed by this procedure shall be processed by the Chancellor as would an initial recommendation received from the Faculty Senate. The Chancellor shall notify the President of the Faculty Senate of intended action within thirty (30) days of receipt of a Senate recommendation.

- j) Where a recommendation for action by the Faculty Senate involves powers maintained internal to the Board of Trustees, or previously delegated by the Board of Trustees to the President, the Chancellor shall so indicate to the President of the Faculty Senate as part of the stated reaction to the recommendation of the Faculty Senate. The Chancellor shall further state either an agreement with the recommendation of the Faculty Senate and, therefore, intention to recommend that the President or Board of Trustees adopt the Senate's recommendation or disagreement with the recommendation of the Senate. In those cases where the Chancellor disagrees with the recommendation of the Senate, the Senate shall reconsider its recommendation and either develop an alternate recommendation or reaffirm its original recommendation by a two-thirds vote of the Senate membership. The Chancellor shall present the Senate's reaffirmed recommendation along with the Chancellor's own comments to the President of the University and/or to the Board of Trustees. In either case, the Chancellor shall notify the President of the Faculty Senate of intended action within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Senate recommendation.
- k) In either instance, with reference to items (g) and (h), where the Chancellor disagrees with a Senate recommendation, the Chancellor may propose an alternative and require that the Senate consult with individuals of the Chancellor's choice prior to conducting the vote on reaffirmation.

Constitutional Amendment Procedures

Amendments to this Constitution shall be submitted for referendum by the faculty by vote of a majority of the voting members of the Faculty Senate.

All faculty eligible to vote in elections to Faculty Senate shall be eligible to vote in a referendum. The Faculty Senate Steering Committee shall conduct such a referendum within thirty (30) academic working days of action by the Faculty Senate. Minutes of the Faculty Senate debate on the proposed amendment shall be distributed with the ballots. At least ten (10) academic working days shall be provided for the return of the ballots.

A proposed constitutional amendment shall be approved by achieving both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those faculty participating in a duly conducted referendum AND a simple majority of those faculty participating in a majority of the academic councils as represented on the Faculty Senate Steering Committee.

Any amendment approved by referendum shall be forwarded to the appropriate University officials and to the Board of Trustees.

Any provisions in a properly ratified Board of Trustees/Faculty Federation Collective Bargaining Agreement that would modify the Faculty Senate Constitution or its By-laws shall be deemed to be an approved Constitutional Amendment. The Constitution will be so amended at the first Senate meeting after said Collective Bargaining Agreement goes into effect.

By-laws of the Faculty Senate

The Faculty Senate shall adopt, amend or rescind the by-laws of the Faculty Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting at a meeting where the proposed action has appeared on the published agenda. All votes on the by-laws shall be by written ballot unless those voting members present rule otherwise by a two-thirds (2/3) majority.

A. Composition of the Senate

- 1) The Senate shall consist of fifty-five (55) voting members as follows:
 - a) Three (3) persons from each of the academic councils (~~College of Visual and Performing Arts, Business, Engineering, Humanities, Nursing, Science, Social Sciences~~), **one (1) from the School of Law**, one (1) from SEPPCE and one (1) from SMAST. The representative(s) from each council shall be elected by the faculty members of that council. One (1) professional librarian shall be elected by the professional librarians and one (1) professional technician shall be elected by the professional technicians. **MODIFIED TO REFLECT ADDITION OF LAW SCHOOL**
 - b) Twenty-nine (29) members-at-large ~~taken~~ **elected** from the University as a whole. Any full time tenure-track faculty member, professional librarian, or professional technician may be elected to the Faculty Senate by a vote of the entire faculty, professional librarians, and professional technicians.

B. Committees

1. The Cultural Affairs Committee shall elect a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson or Co-Chairpersons, one of whom shall be a faculty member and the other a student. Requests for expenditures of funds must be signed by both the Chairperson and the Vice airperson (or Co-Chairpersons) to certify committee approval in addition to any other signatures required for processing the request.
2. The Library Committee shall have two (2) librarians as voting members.

3. **Each College Curriculum Committee** shall consist of a faculty member and a student majoring within the department elected from each department. The committee shall elect its own Chairperson, who shall be a faculty member.
4. The University Curriculum Committee shall consist of two (2) faculty members elected from departments within each of the College Academic Councils, one (1) librarian, elected by the librarians, and one (1) student elected from a department within each College Academic Council. The term of service for bargaining unit members shall be two (2) years with the terms staggered for the two (2) faculty members elected by the same College Academic Council. The committee shall elect its own Chairperson, who shall be a faculty member
5. The ~~committee~~ **General Education Committee** shall be composed of sixteen (16) members, two (2) from each Academic Council (~~except the SEPPCE Academic Council~~) **except the graduate schools (School of Law, SMAST and SEPPCE) Academic Councils**, elected by the faculty in that Academic Council. No member of the University Curriculum Committee may serve on the General Education Committee. No member of a College Curriculum Committee may serve on the General Education Committee. The committee shall elect its own Chairperson.
6. An ~~HRB~~ **Institutional Review Board** is established for the purpose of protecting the rights of human subjects. It shall be composed of nine (9) members as follows: four (4) designated by the Faculty Senate and five (5) designated by the Chancellor. Of these five (5), one must not be affiliated with the University of Massachusetts. There must always be one such member. The terms of the nine (9) members are to be staggered so that no more than 3 terms terminate concurrently. Each member is to have a renewable 3-year term. The IRB shall operate in a manner consistent with the requirements of the NIH (National Institutes of Health) and the NSF (National Science Foundation).
1. There shall be one (1) Faculty Representative and one (1) Associate Faculty Representative to the University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees. These representatives shall be Senators nominated by the Faculty Senate and elected annually by the entire faculty. Nominations for these positions must be submitted to the Faculty Senate President by the first Monday in April for election at the May meeting of the new Senate. In the interim, the names of those nominated will be forwarded to the members of the Faculty Senate.