Motions for January Faculty Meeting

#1: Kinesiology Department Division Change

To move the Kinesiology Department from the Social Sciences division to the Natural & Behavioral Sciences Division. The transition would be gradual with Kinesiology faculty members fulfilling their remaining terms on faculty standing committees as Social Sciences divisional representatives.

#2: Motion to Modify Academic Senate Membership

Background:

Faculty Council proposes to decrease the membership on Academic Senate from 9 to 8 elected faculty and to modify the eligibility requirements. This draft has been reviewed and approved by the Academic Senate. In total, this motion is designed to achieve multiple goals. First, in light of a Kinesiology’s possible move from the Social Science Division to the Natural and Behavioral Science Division, Faculty Council would like to continue efforts to ease the strain of divisional representation on small divisions. Second, we would like to increase the eligible pool of faculty who can serve on Academic Senate and allow faculty with particular strengths and curricular experiences (e.g. Global learning, Program Review, etc.) to be eligible for nomination and election even though they might not have served as chair within their department. We propose now to include a minimum of 6 years of service at the college for all members of Academic Senate so as to preserve institutional knowledge and experience. Third, Faculty Council would like to continue efforts to contract the numbers of faculty serving on faculty standing committees as a whole, freeing more for special institutional projects and task-forces that occasionally exist outside the typical committee structure.

Motion:

To adopt the changes to Sections 1.4.3.3.1 and 1.4.2.2 of the Faculty Handbook as described below, reducing the faculty membership on Academic Senate to 8 members (2 per division and 2 at large) and specifying that the Chair of the Senate serves as one of the two senators appointed to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Handbook changes:

Current language:

1.4.3.3.1 Academic Senate
a) Membership:

1) Nine elected faculty, three from each division
   
   .    (a) Only faculty who currently serve or have previously served as department chair are eligible for election to Academic Senate.
   
   .    (b) Faculty are typically elected to 3-year terms, such that only one new senator is elected each year within each division

2) Provost and Dean of Curriculum and Educational Effectiveness (ex officio without vote)

3) Registrar

4) W.C.S.A. President (or representative) (voice without vote)

1.4.2.2 Strategic Planning Committee

a) Membership:

1) President

2) Chair, Board of Trustees

3) Chair, Trustee Planning Committee

4) Member, Trustee Planning Committee

5) Provost

6) Associate Provost for Planning and Research

7) Vice President for Administration and Planning

8) Vice President for Advancement and CIO

9) Executive Vice President

10) Vice President for Finance

11) Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students

12) Two Vice Chairs of the Faculty

13) Two Academic Senators, selected with an eye toward divisional representation and continuity
14) Dean of Admissions
15) Dean of Curriculum and Educational Effectiveness
16) Associate Dean of Students
17) Associate Dean of Student Life
18) Director of Library and Information Services
19) WCSA representative

Proposed new language:

1.4.3.3.1 Academic Senate

a) Membership:

1) **Eight Nine** elected faculty, **two three** from each division **plus 2** additional faculty at large

   . (a) **Only faculty who have served at the college for a minimum of 6 years are eligible for election to Academic Senate**

   . (b) **For divisional representatives**, only faculty who currently serve or have previously served as department chair are eligible for election to Academic Senate.

   . (c) Faculty are typically elected to 3-year terms, such that **a maximum of only** one new senator is elected each year within each division

2) Provost and Dean of Curriculum and Educational Effectiveness (ex officio without vote)

3) Registrar

4) W.C.S.A. President (or representative) (voice without vote)

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