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DOC 2022-03 Policy on Filling Vacancies on the Academic Senate

University of Dayton. Academic Senate

PROPOSAL TO THE ACADEMIC SENATE

TITLE: Policy on Filling Vacancies on the Academic Senate

SUBMITTED BY: ECAS

DATE: 21 January 2022

ACTION: Legislative Authority

REFERENCE: DOC 2007-05 and Constitution of the Academic Senate. By-laws of the University Elections Committee.

RATIONALE: In the event of vacancies to the Academic Senate The Constitution of the Academic Senate Article IV.B.2 and IV.B.7 provide guidance on maintaining tabulations of votes from previous Senate elections to replace senators who are unable to complete their terms; however the Constitution provides no contingency plans for situations when the list is exhausted and there are no nominees from the previous election willing to serve as a replacement senator. The proposed policy ensures democratic processes are used to fill vacancies.

PROPOSAL: In the event of a faculty vacancy on the Academic Senate and there are no willing or able nominees from the last election the University Elections Committee will hold a special election to replace that senator to serve the remainder of the term. If the special election yields no nominees the seat will be vacant until the next semester or the next regular election. For a vacant Academic Senate seat, the University Elections Committee will not hold more than one special election per semester.

IMPLEMENTATION: This policy will reside within DOC 2007-05: Policies and Procedures of the Academic Senate, Sec. II, C.