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Academic Senate Constitutional Amendment Ballot

The Academic Senate of Santa Rosa Junior College is bringing to the electorate two potential options to revise the Constitution of the Senate.

Background:

The Academic Senate has an Executive Committee composed of a President, Vice-President, and Secretary. It also sometimes includes a Past-President and/or a President-elect. The Past-President serves up to two years following the end of the term as President. The President-elect is elected and serves in that capacity for a year prior to taking the office of President.

Currently, the President-elect is elected from members of the electorate who are Contract faculty (tenured and tenure track). The Vice-President and Secretary currently are selected from among any of the current Senators (Contract or Adjunct).

Any change to the Constitution must be approved by two-thirds of those voting. If approved, revisions will go into effect for spring 2020.

Potential Revisions:

- Option 1 would allow for any member of the electorate (tenured, tenure-track, and adjunct) to be elected as President-elect, to ultimately serve as President. In addition, if all members of the Executive Committee are Contract Faculty, an Adjunct Faculty Representative would be selected from the current Adjunct Senators to serve on the Executive Committee. Likewise, if all members of the Executive Committee are Adjunct Faculty, a Contract Faculty Representative would be selected from the Contract Senators. Link to the draft of the Constitution with Option 1: https://academicssenate.santarosa.edu/sites/academicssenate.santarosa.edu/files/documents/20191002_constitution_draft_1.pdf.
- Option 2 would allow for only tenured faculty to be elected as President-elect and Vice-President. An Adjunct Faculty Representative would be a permanent position on the Executive Committee and would be selected from the current Adjunct Senators. Link to the draft of the Constitution with Option 2: https://academicssenate.santarosa.edu/sites/academicssenate.santarosa.edu/files/documents/20191002_constitution_draft_2.pdf

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