

# Categories of Recommended Changes to the Faculty Senate By-Laws

- Revisions for accuracy
  - What actually happens currently re Faculty Senate/Executive Committee activities
    - How Faculty Senate committee reports and reports of Standing Committee liaisons are handled.
      - Less onerous
    - The role of the Executive Committee in setting the agenda (v. a Senator being able to put something on the agenda) .
    - The role of issues of concern in facilitating and documenting faculty communication of concerns to the Faculty Senate.
      - Currently there is no language re Issues of Concern
    - The role of the Executive Committee in decisions re how to address an issue of concern.

- Re-organization
  - E.g., moving sections in Article 2 on the Agenda that are not about the agenda to more appropriate sections
    - Sections on the role of the Executive Committee and committee report moved to the Article on committees, etc.
  - Adding a new Article specific to Issues of Concern as the primary means of facilitating and documenting faculty communication of concerns to the Faculty Senate.
- Revisions for clarity

# Substantive changes

- Addition of a new statement in the Mission:
  - *Representative – The Faculty Senate may address an issue of concern presented to them by a member of the faculty.*
- *Formalization of Issues of Concern as the primary means of facilitating and documenting faculty communication of concerns to the Faculty Senate.*
- Change to who can serve as Chair-elect/Chair of the Faculty:
  - *Individuals with an administrative appointment are not eligible to serve as or be a candidate for Chair-Elect.*

# Remaining question

- What is a "Conference Committee" and does it stay?
  - See Article VII, section 6.