Article XI: Election of Officers

Brief Description

Article XI describes the process and requirements for the election of officers of the MCC Faculty Senate. In general, the duties and responsibilities of each of the Faculty Senate Officers are described in the MCC Faculty Senate Best Practices Manual.

Current Language

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Section 2.
At the first meeting in May, the Senate shall elect a President-Elect, Secretary and Treasurer to serve for the following academic year. From the slate of candidates (brought by the nominating committee, by nomination from the floor, or by write-in on the ballot) the election shall be conducted by secret ballot with a majority vote required for election to office. The term of office is one (1) academic year.

Section 3.
Candidates for Senate Officer positions must be a member of the Faculty Association and be a member or past-member of the Senate.

Section 4.
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Proposed Language

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RATIONALE:

The addition of the requirement for a Senate President-Elect to have earned appointive status provides the soon-to-be President with the ability to adequately represent faculty in a manner that does not threaten their faculty status. In addition, the additional time provides the candidates with the opportunity to become better acquainted with the RFP which is crucial when representing and/or accompanying faculty in meetings with the Administration.