

The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at Meeting #189, March 4, 2013:

**MOTION:**

The UAF Faculty Senate moves to revise the Faculty Senate Bylaws of the University of Alaska Fairbanks, Sect. 1, Article III: Membership, Sections C and D. This revision adds a statement specifying that elections are held in the spring. It also adds a subsection allowing a special election to be held if, and only if, a senator cannot complete his/her term and no alternate is available to represent the affected unit.

EFFECTIVE: Immediately.

RATIONALE: The bylaws currently do not state when elections are to be held – only when terms begin. There is also no bylaw regulating situations where no alternate is available to replace a senator who can no longer serve.

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**BOLD CAPS** = Addition

**[ ]** = Deletion

Senate Bylaws:

Sect. 1 (ART III: Membership)

C. Election Procedure

1. Election shall be conducted by the represented units, or by the Senate office for any conglomerate groups to provide representatives to the Senate according to Article III of the Senate Constitution. Elections **ARE TO BE HELD DURING THE SPRING SEMESTER** and election procedures are the responsibility of the units, subject to the following:

D. Vacancies

1. In the case of death, resignation, transfer, or other reason why an elected representative can no longer represent the unit, an alternate shall immediately become the representative. The president of the Senate will appoint a replacement from among the unit's elected alternates with the concurrence of the affected constituency and the consent of the Administrative Committee.

**2. IF NO ALTERNATE IS AVAILABLE TO REPLACE THE DEPARTING SENATOR THE AFFECTED UNIT MAY HOLD A SPECIAL ELECTION TO REPLACE THAT SENATOR. THIS SPECIAL ELECTION MUST BE HELD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE LAST DAY THE DEPARTING SENATOR SERVED. ALL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING REGULAR SENATE ELECTIONS APPLY TO THESE SPECIAL ELECTIONS.**

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President, UAF Faculty Senate