

RE: Hi - UFS alternates

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Here is the pertinent section of the UFS Bylaws:

The appointment and election of Senators shall conform to Article VII, Title B of the *Policies*.

Â§ 1. Composition. The Senate shall consist of the Chancellor of the University, two representatives having University-wide responsibilities, and representatives from each State-operated unit and contract college in numbers determined as follows:

a) One representative from each unit, independent of the size of the professional staff.

b) Additional representatives shall be authorized from units on the basis of the number of full-time professional staff according to the following: a second representative for units whose full-time professional staff is greater than or equal to 600 but less than 1,100; a third representative for units whose professional staff is greater than or equal to 1,100 but less than 1,600; and a fourth representative for units whose professional staff is greater or equal to 1,600.

Â§ 2. Election and Appointment. The Chancellor of the University shall appoint the two University representatives and the two alternate University representatives having University-wide responsibility. The professional staff of each State-operated unit and contract college shall, by secret ballot and majority of those voting, elect their own representatives and alternates in a manner that shall be further specified in the bylaws of each unit's faculty, provided that the alternate representatives shall serve for the same term as the representatives for whom they are alternates. Alternate representatives shall serve in the absence or inability to act for the representative for whom they are alternates and, in that event, such alternate representatives shall exercise all the powers and duties of the representatives for whom they are alternates.

Â§ 3. Terms. The University representatives shall serve at the pleasure of the Chancellor of the University. Each representative of a State-operated unit or contract college shall serve for a term of three years; provided however, that no such representative shall serve as a member of the Senate after termination of employment in the unit which the representative was elected.

Â§ 4. Reelection. An elected representative who has served a full three-year term or major fraction thereof shall be eligible to serve a second consecutive three-year term. Representatives shall not be eligible to serve again as members of the Senate until the expiration of one year from the end of their last preceding term. Representatives who have served only a minor fraction of one three-year term may serve for two additional three-year terms.

Â§ 5. Vacancies. If a leave of absence or other reason will prevent a Senator or alternate from performing the duties of the office for a period of one academic year or longer, the position will be declared vacant and a new election will be held to fill the remainder of the unexpired term. An individual currently serving as an alternate may run in the election for a Senate seat that has been vacated in this manner. In the event that both the Senator and the alternate are simultaneously unable to represent the campus for a period in excess of four months during the academic year, both offices will be declared vacant and the unexpired term will be filled by a new election.

The BOT Policies say the same thing. The "alternates," then, in theory are supposed to step in if a senator can't, say, attend a meeting. That's different than just being next in line, in case a senator steps down. If THAT happened, then it would be a "vacancy" I think, and require a new election.

I wish it were clearer in the Bylaws, but there it is. So, we should probably announce the alternates, too.

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From: Wagner, Christine K
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2013 4:29 AM
To: Gulatee, Yenisel
Cc: Fessler, Susanna; Lyons, Andi; Cameron, Gail
Subject: Re: Hi - UFS alternates

Yenisel,

Lets look into this before we announce anything. I'm not sure we really need to do this. Especially just because Dick Collier said so. I'll get back to you later today when I learn more.

C

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2013, at 5:29 PM, "Gulatee, Yenisel" <ygulatee@albany.edu> wrote:

Do we have to say in the email whoâ€™s first alternate and second alternate? Can the first alternate replace any of the 2 UFS senators?

Thanks,
Yenisel

From: Fessler, Susanna
Sent: Friday, April 12, 2013 5:27 PM
To: Gulatee, Yenisel; Wagner, Christine K
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Well, we did do that last year. I don't know if we HAVE to announce that to the campus. I think it would be a good idea to let the alternates know, though.

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Hi Chris,

Based on Dick's message:

Yenisel,

Sorry, I was interrupted and sent the last email before finishing it.

The person who came in THIRD is the UFS Alternate for the person who came in first; the person who came in FOURTH is the UFS Alternate for the person who came in second.

And Carol Donato, the secretary for the state-wide senate, email is: carol.donato@suny.edu

Dick

This is the message I've created to announce the UFS senators:

Sent on behalf of Yenisel Gulatee, University Senate Secretary and Chair of the Liaison and Elections Committee of the Governance Council

Please respond to Yenisel regarding questions you may have concerning the Voting Faculty Election results. Send inquiries to ygulatee@albany.edu

Dear Colleagues:

RESULTS OF THE ONLINE VOTING FACULTY ELECTION OF APRIL 2nd -7th :

The following candidates are the alternates for **SUNY-wide Faculty Senator** "two vacancies; 3 year term:

Dan Smith (CNSE) " First alternate

Shadi Shahedipour-Sandvik (CNSE)- Second alternate

My question: Do we have to point out that Dan Smith is the alternate for Philippe Abraham and Shadi is the alternate for John Schmidt?

Thanks,

Yenisel