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Bylaws and Nominations Committee 2008-2009 Annual Report Prepared by Jeffrey Hale and Bill Boggess

Committee Membership

The members of the Bylaws and Nominations Committee for 2008-2009 were as follows:

Jeffrey Hale '09, Co-Chair	College of Liberal Arts
Bill Boggess '09, Co-Chair	College of Agricultural Sciences
Alex Sanchez '10	College of Education
Valery King '09	Valley Library
Catherine Porter '11	College of Health and Human Sciences

Executive Committee Liaison -Carol Mallory-Smith

Senate Elections

The Committee contacted potential candidates in search of nominees for election to Senate offices. In the case of the Faculty Senate President-Elect, eight individuals were approached about their interest in being nominated before securing two people to stand for election. The Committee presented a slate of nominees for the positions of President-Elect, Executive Committee, and Inter-institutional Faculty Senate.

Faculty Senate President-Elect

1. Leslie Burns
2. Kate Hunter-Zaworski

Faculty Senate Executive Committee

1. Linda Bruslind
2. Kate Halischak
3. Joe Hoff
4. Kim McAlexander
5. Hal Parks
6. Andrew Valls

Inter-institutional Faculty Senate

1. Starr McMullen
2. Ron Reuter

Bylaws Revisions

While numerous by-laws revisions were discussed, no by-laws revisions were proposed this year.

The Future

The Committee did not act on a request from OSU-Cascades for a separate apportionment unit. The Committee did discuss the pros and cons of the request and decided not to take action at this time. Committee members were concerned about setting a possible precedent and believed that apportionment is adequately covered by the faculty member's academic home. The Provost of the Cascades Campus and the University Provost are both supportive of the request.

The committee reviewed the lack of policy on executive committee absences and suggested that three unexcused absences in a term warranted a warning from the President.

It is suggested that Committee members realize the difficulty in securing qualified candidates for positions, especially for President-elect. Recruitment should begin at the start of the academic year to secure a full slate of nominees.

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