SC.22.14 Procedures for Selecting a Search Committee to Advise the Chancellor on the Selection of a Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs & Provost

BACKGROUND
Relevant excerpts from the Statutes and the Senate Constitution that govern the selection of a new Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs & Provost are:

Statutes, Article III, Section 1.g.:
Vice chancellors shall be appointed annually by the Board of Trustees on the recommendation of the chancellor/vice president and the president. The chancellor/vice president shall on the occasion of each appointment seek the advice of the executive committee of the senate. The executive committee may seek the counsel of other university bodies in preparing its advice.

Senate Constitution, Article VI, Section 11:
When the Senate selects members of a search committee, faculty senators shall nominate and elect faculty members of the committee, academic professional senators shall nominate and elect academic professional members of the committee, and student senators shall nominate and elect student members of the committee in separate votes.

Members of the search committee are strongly encouraged to engage all relevant stakeholders and constituencies inside and outside of the University that pertain to the portfolio of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs & Provost.

RECOMMENDATION
The Senate Executive Committee recommends the Senate approve the following composition of the search committee to advise the Chancellor on the selection of a Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs & Provost:

Chair of the Committee:
The Chancellor shall appoint the chair from among the faculty members below.

Faculty Members (7-8):
The Senate shall elect five (5) faculty members with no more than two from the same college. Committee on Committees shall nominate at least 10 faculty members. If the five faculty members elected by the Senate do not include minority representation, including women, then the female faculty member receiving the most votes and in addition the minority faculty member receiving the most votes shall be added to the committee first, followed by the remaining three faculty members according to the vote, with no more than two from the same college.
The Chancellor shall appoint two or three (2-3) additional faculty members with consideration for increasing the number of colleges represented, and with one or more of whom may have an administrative appointment.

**Student Members (2):**
The Senate shall elect one (1) student member. Committee on Committees shall nominate two to four students of whom at least one shall be an undergraduate student and at least one shall be a graduate or professional student, with no two from the same college.

The Chancellor shall appoint one (1) student member after consultation with the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

**Academic Professional Members (2):**
The Senate shall elect two (2) academic professional members. Committee on Committees shall nominate four academic professional members.

**Civil Service Professional Member (1):**
The Senate shall elect one (1) civil service professional member. Committee on Committees shall nominate two civil service professional members.

**Additional At-Large Member/s (0-2):**
The Chancellor may choose to appoint additional at-large members of the committee with the understanding that the majority of the committee shall be faculty, and the majority of the committee shall be elected by the Senate.

Committee on Committees shall work to ensure a representative and diverse pool of nominees for Senate consideration.

Committee on Committees shall provide a brief biographical sketch (150 words or less) of each of their nominees, along with a statement of willingness to serve. These nominees shall be presented to the full Senate. Additional nominations may be made on the floor of the Senate in accordance with Article VI, Section 11, of the Senate Constitution. All nominations submitted from the Senate floor must include 1.) Nominee’s name, 2.) Nominee’s statement of willingness to serve, and 3.) A brief biographical sketch of the nominee (150 words or less).

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