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UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE
COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
(Final; Action)

CC.26.15 Election of **Student Members** to the Ninth Senate Review Commission

BACKGROUND

According to Article VI, Section 10 of the Senate *Constitution*, at least once every seven years, the Senate shall provide for a comprehensive review of its size, organization, structure, and operation by a commission composed of members from each electorate, and the administration. Such commission shall report its findings and make recommendations to the Senate Executive Committee, as prescribed in the *Bylaws*. The report of the commission shall be made public and distributed as a report for information to the Senate.

NOMINATIONS

The Committee on Committees present the following nominees to serve as **student members** to the Ninth Senate Review Commission. Submitted interest statements from nominees are attached.

Shane Crean	LAS
Hunter Farnham	LAS
Jess Williams	GRAD

Nominees shall be elected in accordance with the approved election procedures in SC.26.03.

1. Each senator may cast up to two (2) votes.
2. The two (2) nominees receiving the highest number of votes are elected, with at most one (1) from any single college or similar division.

Additional nominations by student senators may be made from the floor and must be accompanied by the nominee's willingness to serve if elected. Each nominee must be a member of the student electorate as defined by [Article IV of the Senate Constitution](#). A statement of interest limited to 200 words is also requested.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
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STATEMENTS OF INTEREST

Shane Crean (Undergraduate Student, LAS)

Shane Crean is a man with the most knowledge I have met when it comes to matters of policy. He is a thoroughly well researched and charming individual and would do a fantastic job serving on this committee. He is a hard worker who cares about the University of Illinois. He is a second generation American who's entire family attended this school and that is why he is committed to working hard for it. His station in life is because of this university and its commitment to improving it more and more.

Hunter Farnham (Undergraduate Student, LAS)

Hunter Farnham, a senior in Computer Science + Economics, became involved in shared governance as a 2023-2024 Representative in the Illinois Student Council. He went on to be elected the 2024-2025 Student Body Vice President, as well as a Senator in LAS. Through his role in student government, he sat on the Senate Executive Committee and developed strong working relationships with university leadership, including the Chancellor, Provost, and VCSA, among others. Last year, Hunter authored successful amendments to the Student Disciplinary Procedures through the Student Discipline Committee and Senate Bylaws through USSP, where he later filled a student vacancy. He also collaborated with EP to pass a proposal regarding course data. Currently, Hunter serves as the elected Speaker of Congress to ISC, where he acts as the primary liaison between ISC and the Senate, retaining his seat on SEC, while continuing his service as a Senator and member of USSP.

Jess Williams (Graduate Student, GRAD)

Jess Williams is a PhD student in Computer Science researching quantum computing. They are the graduate student representative on SEC. They have presented at multiple conferences about university-city relations and student government best practices. Having served on the Senate committees for Research Policy and Student Discipline, they are passionate about conducting a thorough review of organizational structure and policies and firmly believe in strengthening shared governance. They have employed strategies for improving representation, institutional knowledge, and efficacy in student government and look forward to applying lessons learned from that as well as local government service to the Faculty Senate.