Tabled item from February 18, 2011 Faculty Senate Meeting: Statement from COB Senators

The Senators from the College of Business have received comments regarding the issue of the President of the Faculty Senate continuing in her current position after becoming Dean of Continuing Education and Community Outreach.

We queried our faculty for their input on this issue. They responded that it would be disruptive to install a temporary President of the Faculty Senate for only the remaining three months of her term. One of the respondents pointed out to us the faculty handbook says:

“Any faculty member eligible for service in the Faculty Senate shall be eligible to hold any elective office of the Faculty Association (See Article II, Section IX).”

Although the Faculty Handbook does not prohibit a Dean from serving as President of the Faculty Senate, we move that whenever possible, the Faculty Senate President will send other Faculty officers as proxies to the University Planning, Shared Governance, and any other Budget Committees to represent faculty interest for the remainder of the President’s term.

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