Resolution 2008-2. On Amending the Faculty Code of University Government to Provide a Term Limit for the Office of Chair of the Faculty.

Presented by the Committee on University Government

The General Faculty enacts:

Section 3-1 of the Faculty Code of University Government is amended as follows:

"§ 3-1. The chair of the faculty.

(a) The chair of the faculty serves as chair pro tempore of the Faculty Council and of the General Faculty, makes an annual report to the Faculty Council on the state of the faculty, represents the chancellor in all academic matters whenever the chancellor may request him or her to do so, and has such other responsibilities as may be determined by the chancellor or the Faculty Council.

(b) The chair of the faculty serves for a term of three years and is not eligible for more than two consecutive terms of immediate reelection. Nominations and elections are held every third year, and the person elected takes office on July 1 following the election.

(c) Nominations are made by the Advisory Committee, which announces the upcoming election to all members of the voting faculty and invites recommendations of persons to be nominated. The Committee selects and submits the names of at least two qualified persons. The nominee receiving the highest number of votes in the election is elected, unless he or she has failed to receive a majority of the votes cast. In that event, a run-off election is held between those who received the highest and the next highest number of votes in the previous election, and the person receiving the highest number of votes in the run-off election is elected. Interim vacancies in the office of chair of the faculty are filled through appointment by the Advisory Committee."