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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 24, 2014

TO: Bonnie S. Brier, Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary of the University

FROM: Raghu Sundaram
Chairperson, Faculty Senators Council
A/Y 2013-2014

RE: Faculty Senators Council Resolutions regarding Best Practices for Faculty Senator Elections in Schools

At the March 13, 2014 meeting of the Faculty Senators Council, the attached resolutions were approved.

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FSC Resolution regarding Best Practices for School Elections *Approved 03/13/14*

At the March 13, 2014 meeting of the Faculty Senators Council, the Council approved the following resolutions:

Resolution 1:

IT IS RESOLVED: That the Faculty Senators Council approves the following language for Article I.3 of FSC Rules and Procedures:

Current language:

3. Nomination and Election of Faculty Senators.
(Section B, 3rd sentence)

The School's faculty shall appoint a nominating committee to present at least three names for each Senatorial position to the voting professorial members of their faculty by mail at least one week before an election.

3. Nomination and Election of Faculty Senators.
(Section C, 2nd sentence)

These should include who solicits nominations, when and how; how nominees are validated as eligible; whether biographies of nominees are provided; who conducts the election and counts the votes, including when and how; and who reports results to the Coordinator of the Faculty Senators Council.

3. Nomination and Election of Faculty Senators.
(Section D, 3rd sentence)

(b), a detailed written complaint, signed by no fewer than three voting professorial members of the respective School, may be filed with the Coordinator of the Faculty Senators Council. Such complaint will be investigated by the Governance Committee in consultation with the Executive Committee.

3. Nomination and Election of Faculty Senators.
(Section D, last sentence)

d) In no event, however, will any Senator elected under procedures challenged herein be unseated during the pendency of the complaint and the seating of a replacement Senator, should that prove necessary.

Revised language:

3. Nomination and Election of Faculty Senators.
(Section B, 3rd sentence)

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The School's faculty shall appoint a nominating committee to present at least three names for each Senatorial position, whenever applicable, to the voting professorial members of their faculty by mail at least one week before an election.

3. Nomination and Election of Faculty Senators. (Section C, 2nd sentence)

Whenever applicable, these should include who solicits nominations, when and how; how nominees are validated as eligible; whether biographies of nominees are provided; who conducts the election and counts the votes, including when and how; and who reports results to the Coordinator of the Faculty Senators Council.

3. Nomination and Election of Faculty Senators. (Section D, 3rd sentence)

(b), a detailed written complaint, signed by no fewer than three voting professorial members or 50% (whichever is smaller) of the respective School, may be filed with the Coordinator of the Faculty Senators Council. Such complaint will be investigated by the Governance Committee in consultation with the Executive Committee.

3. Nomination and Election of Faculty Senators. (Section D, last sentence)

In no event, however, will any Senator elected under procedures challenged herein be unseated during the pendency of the complaint and the seating of a replacement Senator, should that prove necessary. Until the challenge is settled, the replacement Senator shall not be seated.

Resolution 2:

IT IS RESOLVED: That the Faculty Senators Council approves the following language for Addendum to FSC-GC Resolution on Senator Elections in the Schools (2/11/14):

Current language:

(1st sentence)

School election officers and University and School administrators – including but are not limited to those represented on the Deans Council and Administrative Management Council, and officers of the University as described in the NYU Bylaws

Revised language:

School election officers and University and School administrators – including but not limited to those represented on the Deans Council and Administrative Management Council, and officers of the University as described in the NYU Bylaws