

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 22, 2018

NOMINATIONS FOR
SENATE VICE CHAIR/CHAIR-ELECT
FOR THE 2018-2019 FACULTY SENATE

SENATE VICE CHAIR/CHAIR-ELECT (2-year term):

Senator Bahram Nassersharif, Distinguished University Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering



Bahram Nassersharif, Ph.D.
Distinguished University Professor

I am interested in further developing the role of the Faculty Senate in advancing and promoting URI, its faculty, and mission of the Institution. I believe the Faculty Senate and its committees should respectfully support our entire faculty in their teaching, research, and service work. The recent changes made to the structure of the Senate committees will need careful implementation that requires both new thinking and proven experience to work in coordination for betterment and continuity of the Senate functions. I offer my experience, commitment, and in-depth knowledge of URI for the position of Vice Chair – Chair Elect at this critical juncture.

I was reelected to the faculty senate in 2016 and have served the Faculty Senate and URI in a number of different roles: Senator (2007-2010, 2012-2015, 2016-present), Faculty Senate Chair (2014-2015), Chair of Committee on Information Technologies, Infrastructure, Computing, Communications, and Networking (CITICCN) (2015-present), Chair of Admissions Advisory Committee (2008-2009), Joint Classroom Steering Committee (2009-2013, 2017-present), Honorary Degree Committee (2008-2012, 2017-present), Curricular Affairs Committee (2010-2013), Joint Committee on Academic Planning (JCAP) (2012-2015), and Administrator Evaluation Coordinator (2012-present). I have 36 years of experience as professor, researcher, and administrator (Center Director, Department Head, and Dean) at Oregon State University, Texas A&M University, New Mexico State University, and 15 years at the University of Rhode Island.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Conley, Music
Senator Mahler, Communicative Disorders
Senator Rice, Fisheries, Animal & Veterinary Science