

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND FACULTY SENATE

Proposed Manual Changes

Appendix C: By-Laws of The Faculty Senate **Section 5. Election of Officers**

5.1 In February of each academic year, the Senate shall elect for the following academic year for one-year terms a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson/Chair-elect for the following academic year who shall serve one year as Vice Chair/Chair-elect and a second, consecutive year as Chair. Senators who are elected to serve this two-year leadership position, as described, shall remain full members of the Faculty Senate as representatives of their colleges for the duration of their service even if the two-year position exceeds the three-year term limit as a Senator (Appendix C, section 2.1). The outgoing Chair whose term has expired shall continue as an ex officio member of the Executive Committee for a period of one year after expiration of the term as Chair, and shall be considered ex officio member of the Faculty Senate during the same year. At its organizational meeting in May, the Senate shall elect at least one senator for a one-year term on the Executive Committee. In order to ensure continuity, the remaining three members of the Executive Committee shall be elected to serve for two years. To stagger their terms, two of the 2-year term members shall be elected on even numbered years and the other 2-year term member on odd numbered years.

If approved, attendant changes may be required to sections of the Constitution of the Faculty Senate.