Resolution: Change from Vice Chair to ***Vice Chair/Chair-elect***

(Spring 2012 Proposal)

Whereas, the Chair of the Faculty is a critical and complex service position;

Whereas, smooth transitions of informed leadership are critical to continued effectiveness of the Chair as a critical vehicle of faculty voice,

Be it resolved that:

1. The Vice Chair of the General Faculty will now also be the Chair-Elect as of the Spring 2013 elections.
2. The following changes will be made to Section I.3.2 of the WCU Faculty Constitution. Changes are in ***bold italic***:

Section I.3.2 The Vice-Chair***/Chair Elect*** of the Faculty shall preside in the absence of the Chair.

1. The following changes will be made to Section I.7 of the WCU Faculty Constitution. Changes are in ***bold italic***:

I.7.3 The Chair of the Faculty shall serve for a term of ***one year***.

I.7.4 The Vice Chair***/Chair Elect*** of the Faculty shall serve in the absence of the Chair. The Vice Chair shall be a member of the Senate Planning Team and shall chair the Rules Committee.

I.7.5 The Vice Chair***/Chair Elect*** of the Faculty shall serve for a term of ***one year*** and ***succeed as Chair of the Faculty for a term of one year.***

I.7.8 Nominations for ***Chair-Elect*** and Secretary of the Faculty shall be made by the Committee on Nominations, Elections, and Committees at least three weeks before the date of the election. Additional nominees may be added to the ballot by written nomination signed by twenty-five faculty members and submitted to the Committee on Nominations, Elections, and Committees at least two weeks before the date of election. CONEC shall select and submit the names of qualified nominees for each office to its secretary for publication of the ballot. The nominee receiving the highest number of votes in the election shall be declared elected, unless he or she has failed to receive greater than 50% of the votes cast. In that event, a run-off election shall be held between the persons receiving the highest and the next highest number of votes. The person receiving the highest number of votes in the run-off election shall be declared elected.