

## Elections Committee (EC)

Minutes for September 22, 2021

Attendees: Carmen Coury, Klay Kruczek, Jonathan O'Hara, Mina Park, Cindy Simoneau

The Committee discussed having one-year alternates for committees, instead of the standard three-year alternate positions. Below, you will find a draft of the procedure.

### **Choosing One-Year Alternates to (temporarily) replace Members on a Committee:**

- The spring self-nomination form will ask each nominee: "If you are not elected to be a member of a particular committee, then are you willing to serve as a 1-year alternate on that committee?"
- The nominees who do not receive enough votes to serve as a member but are willing to serve as alternates will then be ranked as alternates based on the number of votes they received in the spring election.
- Before the fall self-nomination period begins, the Elections Committee will ask each member of each committee to confirm they will be able to serve on the committee for the entire academic year. If there are not enough alternates (from the spring election) to replace those members who temporarily cannot serve, then there will be an election for 1-year alternates to temporarily replace the members on the committee.
- If there is a committee which has member vacancies after the spring election and also has members who temporarily cannot serve during the academic year, then the nominees with the most votes during fall election will fill the member vacancies. The alternate spots will be filled by those with the most votes who did not become a member.
- Any committee who wishes to always have alternates ready to serve (e.g., Robert E. Jirsa Service Award Committee) shall list the number of alternates in their bylaws.