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Procedure for Providing Alternates for Any and All Senate Committees

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Question:

The Graduate Committee requests that the SEC develop a procedure for providing alternates for any and all committees that include Senate representatives.

Rationale:

See Committee Alternates Proposal

Senate alternates are already elected by each unit of the University. Their purpose is to attend meetings of the Senate when an elected senator is unable to. Yet, there are no designated alternates for senators appointed to serve on Senate standing committees. If it is logical to have alternates for Senate meetings; it is equally logical to provide alternates for senators serving on committees on behalf of the Senate.

Senate Response:

Another information request came from Jerry Wilson, which asked the Senate Executive Committee to appoint alternates in the Senate position from all the colleges on all the standing committees. The SEC decided this was simply too cumbersome and that we would be better off trying to deal with the questions on the individual standing committees in terms of scheduling responsibilities and making sure that everybody who can attend, does attend.