Notice is hereby given that an election will be held to fill six (6) vacancies on the Committee on Committees. In 2009, the Davis Division Representative Assembly approved amendment of the Bylaws to regulate how members of the Committee on Committees (Committee) shall be elected. The goal of these amendments was to improve committee operation by ensuring members are knowledgeable about the faculty of each school and college.

Pursuant to Davis Division Bylaw 39(B), the Committee shall have nine members who serve for three-year terms, and who are elected by the entire faculty. In 2009, the Committee adopted the following implementation plan:

2009 Election: CBS, MPS and SOM
2010 Election: HArCS, DSS and Law/Management/Education Cluster
2011 Election: CA&ES, Engineering, SVM

However, in 2010, the Division of Social Sciences (DSS) and the Law/Management/Education Cluster vacancies were not filled. The Committee filled the DSS and Law/Management/Education Cluster vacancies for one year creating five vacancies to be filled during the 2011 election.

Pursuant to Davis Division Bylaw 39(C), any number of Academic Senate members from each college/division/school/cluster (cluster) can be nominated. Within each cluster, candidates will run against one another to fill one Committee vacancy. Any Academic Senate member can nominate a candidate who is a member of one of these clusters. All Academic Senate members can vote in each contest. Within each cluster, the candidate who receives the largest number of votes fills the vacancy. In the event that no candidate is nominated from a cluster, the Committee position will be declared vacant, and the Committee shall of itself appoint a member to fill the vacancy until the next regular Committee member election.

The elected members shall take office on the 1st day of September after their election is determined by the Committee on Elections, Rules and Jurisdiction, as required by Davis Division Bylaw 29(E).

Completed nomination forms accompanied by a 120 word candidate statement must be received by the Academic Senate Office (402 Mrak Hall) no later than:

5:00 pm on Monday, May 9, 2011

Each nomination must be in writing and must contain a statement that the nominee will accept the nomination. A brief biography (of 120 words or less) must also be included. All nomination forms
must be submitted with the original signature of five (5) Davis Division members. The nomination form is available on the Academic Senate web site:


The full rules of procedure may be found in Davis Division Bylaws 16(B), 16(C), 39(A, B & C) available at:


Members of the Committee on Committees whose terms of office will continue until August 31, 2011 are: Matthew Farrens (Computer Science), Sharon Hietala (Veterinary Medicine), Suad Joseph (Anthropology), Rex Perschbacher (School of Law), Francisco Samaniego (Statistics), and Richard Sexton (Agricultural & Resource Economics). Members continuing until August 31, 2012 are: Mitchell Sutter (Neurobiology, Physiology, and Behavior), and Richard Tucker (SOM: Cell Biology and Human Anatomy). Members continuing until August 31, 2013 are: Pablo Ortiz (Music).

Nominations are being accepted to fill the following vacancies:
College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CA&ES): 3-year term
College of Engineering: 3-year term
School of Veterinary Medicine (VM): 3-year term
Law/GSM/Education Cluster: 2-year term
Division of Social Sciences (DSS): 2-year term
Mathematical and Physical Sciences (MPS): 1-year term

Ines Hernandez-Avila, Secretary
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