Proposed WKU Faculty Senate Charter Amendment Respectfully submitted by Dan Clark

Topic: Selection of Standing Committee Chairs

IV.B.4.

Current language:

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Proposed language:

Officers: Each committee, except the Executive Committee, shall elect its own Chair from among its membership. The Chairs of all standing committees shall be chosen from the members of the Faculty Senate with the exception of the Graduate Council Chair who Any elected committee chair who is not already a Senator shall become a Senator upon election to serve as chair of that committee.

Rationale:

Sometimes it has been difficult for committees to elect chairs. By expanding the pool of those eligible to be chairs, that somewhat alleviates the problem.