Proposal 6

Article V Section 5.4: Responsibility to the Faculty Part B

Replace

B. On votes dealing with substantive matters, the reports shall include an accounting of how the individual Council members, or their alternates, voted. At the request of a majority of the Council members present, any matter must be submitted to the faculty for consideration, either by paper or electronic ballot or at a faculty meeting.

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B. On votes of main motions where at least 10% of the total Bloomington Faculty Council voting-eligible members vote in the affirmative and at least 10% of the total Bloomington Faculty Council voting-eligible members vote in the negative, the reports shall include an accounting of how individual Council members, or their alternates, voted. A Council member may make a motion for a roll-call vote for any motion for which a roll-call vote is desired.

C. At the request of a majority of the Council members present, any matter must be submitted to the faculty for consideration, either by paper or electronic ballot or at a faculty meeting.

Rationale: Currently, the Constitution calls for roll-call votes on all substantive matters. Which matters are substantive is subjective. Moreover, roll-call votes slow down the business of the BFC. The Constitution and Rules Committee (CARC) discussed allowing votes as we have been conducting them, by a show of hands, but the committee felt strongly that it is the responsibility of elected BFC members to have their votes known. Roll-call voting is precisely the sort of activity that academic freedom protects.

Proposed by: The Constitution and Rules Committee.