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Article V SECTION 5.5: MEMBERS Part A. Representation of Faculty and Librarian Units subpart 1. Faculty and Librarian Election Units; Qualifications of Representatives

Replace

The following units shall each constitute an election unit: College of Arts and Sciences; School of Business; School of Education; School of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation; School of Journalism; School of Law; School of Library and Information Science; School of Music; School of Optometry; School of Public and Environmental Affairs; the Library; and the School of Informatics. However, the College of Arts and Sciences shall be divided into sub-election units in a manner specified by agreement of the College Policy Committee and the Bloomington Faculty Council Nomination Committee. Such division of the College into sub-election units shall be published with the Council's bylaws governing the conduct of elections. Faculty members in any sub-election unit of the College may nominate and vote in all sub-election units of the College. Further, any academic units with faculty on the Bloomington campus not included within the above units shall be grouped together to constitute an election unit. Council representatives from election units must be persons qualifying under sections 1.1 or 1.2 of this constitution and shall be nominated and elected by such qualified persons in the represented unit.

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The Libraries and independent Schools (excluding, for example, the Schools under the College of Arts and Sciences) with at least 20 tenure-track faculty members shall each constitute an election unit. However, the College of Arts and Sciences shall be divided into sub-election units in a manner specified by agreement of the College Policy Committee and the Bloomington Faculty Council Nomination Committee and ratified by the council. Such division of the College into sub-election units shall be published with the Council's bylaws governing the conduct of elections. Tenure-track faculty members in any sub-election unit of the College may nominate and vote in all sub-election units of the College. Tenure-track faculty on the Bloomington campus not included within the above units shall be grouped together as an election unit. Council representatives from election units must be persons qualifying under sections 1.1 or 1.2 of this constitution and shall be nominated and elected by such qualified persons in the represented unit.

Rationale: Currently, the Constitution needs revising every time a school is added, eliminated, merged or renamed. This phrasing is designed to help eliminate that problem. Adding tenure-track to the faculty who are tenure-track clarifies whether we are referring to all faculty or just this particular class of faculty.

Proposed by: The Constitution and Rules Committee.

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Alternatively, replace with

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Rationale: Currently, the Constitution needs revising every time a school is added, eliminated, merged or renamed. This phrasing is designed to help eliminate that problem. Adding tenure-track to the faculty who are tenure-track clarifies whether we are referring to all faculty or just this particular class of faculty. Removing the Constitutional restriction that the College must allow all its faculty to vote in all its subunit elections treats the College similarly to the other Schools and allows the College to determine whether or not to continue this policy.

Proposed by: The Executive Committee.