

**APPENDIX IV  
BYLAWS OF THE FACULTY SENATE  
THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH  
CAROLINA-COLUMBIA**

**ARTICLE II - MEMBERS**

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Section 2. The number of Senate members allocated to each college, school, or Regional Campus is ten (10) percent of the total voting members of the University faculty in such college, school, or Regional Campus. Each college, school, or Regional Campus shall establish and publish rules and procedures governing the election of its members to the Senate and the filling of vacancies. Those colleges or Regional Campuses which are departmentalized shall allocate the Senators amongst the departments so as not to exceed the ten (10) percent limit for the total college or Regional Campus (Table 1). At the first election of members to the Senate, each college, school, or Regional Campus shall designate terms of one, two, or three years for its members so that approximately one-third of its members will be allotted each of the terms. Thereafter, members elected to the Senate shall have terms of three years, unless chosen to fill unexpired terms. No Senator shall be eligible for an additional term in the Senate until one year following the expiration of the term of service.

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Section 2. The number of Senate members allocated to each college, school, or Regional Campus is ten (10) percent of the total voting members of the University faculty in such college, school, or Regional Campus, **except that the clinical, teaching faculty from each School of Medicine will be represented by three faculty.** Each college, school, or Regional Campus shall establish and publish rules and procedures governing the election of its members to the Senate and the filling of vacancies. Those colleges or Regional Campuses which are departmentalized shall allocate the Senators amongst the departments so as not to exceed the ten (10) percent limit for the total college or Regional Campus (Table 1). At the first election of members to the Senate, each college, school, or Regional Campus shall designate terms of one, two, or three years for its members so that approximately one-third of its members will be allotted each of the terms. Thereafter, members elected to the Senate shall have terms of three years, unless chosen to fill unexpired terms. No Senator shall be eligible for an additional term in the Senate until one year following the expiration of the term of service.

**TABLE 1 HEADINGS**

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faculty at or above Assistant Professor level

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~~Professor level~~

## ARTICLE III: OFFICERS

### CURRENT (Page 90):

Section 2. The chair-elect shall be elected at the end of the first year of the chair's two-year term, that is, at the end of the latter's second year of service on the Steering Committee. Nominations for chair-elect shall be made in accordance with the Guidelines for Nomination of Faculty Senate chair. The guidelines spell out the timetable for nomination and election. The nomination process begins in February and concludes with balloting at the April meeting of the Faculty Senate. Any voting member of the faculty may offer a nomination for chair-elect in accordance with the guidelines for the nomination process. Nominations from the floor at the April meeting are precluded. Tenured voting faculty members are eligible for nomination and need not be a member of the Senate. However, no one whose primary functions are administrative in nature shall be eligible for election to chair-elect unless they are willing to resign from their administrative duties. Nominations for chair-elect will be reviewed for eligibility by the Faculty Senate Steering Committee at the March meeting. Only members of the Senate may vote in the election of the chair-elect. The chair-elect shall assume the office of chair at the first meeting of the fall (i.e. at the beginning of the second year of service on the Steering Committee) and shall preside at that meeting. The secretary-elect shall be elected at the beginning of the third year of the secretary's three-year term, that is, at the beginning of the fall term and the secretary's fourth year of service on the Steering Committee. In this election, the same procedure and rules of eligibility specified for selection of the chair-elect shall apply.

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