

The Senate of Michigan Technological University

PROPOSAL 14-78

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS TO THE UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC COUNCIL

BACKGROUND:

The Athletic Council serves to advise the University administration on matters of policy regarding the competitive intercollegiate athletic program. The Council presently consists of one faculty representative appointed by the President for an indefinite period who serves as chairman of the Council, a University finance officer appointed for an indefinite period by the President, three members of the Academic Faculty appointed by the President for three-year terms with at least two holding tenured rank, one member of the alumni appointed by the President for a three-year term, four members of the student body appointed yearly by the president of the Student Council, and the Athletic Director who serves as a non-voting ex-officio member.

PROPOSAL:

1. The three Academic Faculty members of the Athletic Council, other than the chairman, shall serve for staggered three-year terms ending on July 1 and each vacancy in these three positions shall be filled with a tenured member of the Academic Faculty selected by the Senate.
 - a. To fill a vacancy, each senator shall be permitted to nominate one tenured member of the Academic Faculty. At a regular meeting of the Senate, each senator present shall be allowed to vote for three persons on a list of all persons nominated. The three persons receiving the largest number of votes shall be the candidates which the Senate submits to the President of the University.
 - b. Persons who have served for two consecutive terms shall be ineligible for renomination for three years.
 - c. In nominating and electing candidates, senators shall be guided by the following criteria:
 1. Candidates should represent the academic interests of the University.
 2. Candidates should be free from potential conflict of interest problems.
 3. The three Academic Faculty members of the Council should constitute a reasonable balance among the various disciplines, orientations, and characteristics of the Academic Faculty.
 - d. During the initial implementation of this policy, some terms may be shorter than three years in order to permit eventual achievement of staggered three-year terms. Incumbents appointed prior to implementation of this policy may serve out their terms.
2. When a vacancy occurs in the position of chairman, the Senate shall provide the President of the University with a list of six candidates recommended to be considered for the position. Each senator shall be permitted to nominate one tenured member of the Academic Faculty. At a regular meeting of the Senate, each senator present shall be allowed to vote for three persons on a list of all persons nominated. The six persons

receiving the largest number of votes shall be the candidates which the Senate recommends to the President of the University.

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