Resolution

Pursuant to the Faculty Bylaws, Art. VIII, Sec. 2, each academic college is entitled to at least one elected member in the Faculty Senate. These members are elected prior to June 1 in even-numbered years. Likewise, "unit[s] whose General Faculty membership exceeds the number of General Faculty in the smallest academic college" are also entitled to at least one Faculty Senate representative.

While the Bylaws provide guidance on how to fill Senate vacancies caused by resignation of a Senator or failure of sufficient candidates for election, they provide no guidance on how to fill vacancies that arise because of the creation of a new college or unit.

Therefore, be it resolved, that vacancies arising from the creation of a new college or unit (that meets the threshold for representation in the Senate) will be promptly filled by special election in that college. The elected person will serve a term lasting until the next regularly scheduled college-level election.