

Senate Handbook Change – Committee Co-Chair Elections and Eligibility Requirements for Senate Officers

- Senate Committees shall henceforth elect two co-chairs to two-year staggered terms with no term limits.
 - A sitting co-chair shall only be deposed following a majority vote of committee members.
 - Be it resolved that any voting Senator is eligible to stand for office of the chair and vice-chair of the Senate, and the following clause be struck from the existing Senate by-laws: "Candidates for chair and vice chair shall be elected Senators with two or more years of experience (not necessarily consecutive) on the Senate and at least one year as either a member of the Executive Committee or as a committee chair or co-chair."
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Senate Handbook, Article III: Senate Meetings, Procedures

3. When possible, senators who plan to move amendment of a committee resolution should notify the committee ~~chairperson-chairs~~ prior to the meeting. Substantive amendments must be given to the executive secretary in writing before being put to a vote.

Senate Handbook, Article IV: Senate Procedures

June: The Executive Committee appoints committees, ~~designates committee chairs,~~ reviews committee chairs' annual reports and the executive secretary's summary of committee business, and reviews the standing charges of all committees.

Senate Handbook, Article VIII: Committees of the Senate, Structure

2. The ~~chair-chairs~~ and a majority of the members of each committee shall be members of the Senate.

5. ~~Each committee shall have a chair and, if possible and desirable, a co-chair. Senate Committees shall henceforth elect two co-chairs to two-year staggered terms with no term limits. A sitting co-chair shall only be deposed following a majority vote of committee members.~~

Senate Handbook, Article VIII: Committees of the Senate, Operations

7. In May, the ~~chair-chairs~~ of each standing and ad hoc committee should submit a written annual report to the executive secretary for distribution to the new Executive Committee. ...

Copies of these reports, plus resource data and other materials, are to be given to the next committee ~~chairperson~~ chairs by the Senate executive secretary.

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