Council Motion: Amend the Rules and Bylaws of the Professional and Scientific Council

Submitted by: Executive Committee
April 6, 2016

Whereas: The Executive Committee, upon reviewing the Rules and Bylaws of the Professional and Scientific Council, found several items in need of clarification.

Whereas: Including the additional responsibility for the President and President-Elect positions in the Rules and Bylaws of the Professional and Scientific Council provides additional clarity for the responsibilities of these positions.

Whereas: Defining the roles of ex-officio and non-council members on council committees provides additional clarity with regard to roles and responsibilities.

Whereas: Correcting the timeline regarding filling the seat vacated by the President-Elect reflects the current procedure and matches the timeline for when the seat is actually vacated.

It is moved: To amend Article II Section 1 of the Rules and Bylaws of the Professional and Scientific Council regarding the powers and duties of the President by adding:
1. and will serve on the council’s University Planning and Budget Committee.

It is moved: To amend Article III Section 2 of the Rules and Bylaws of the Professional and Scientific Council regarding the powers and duties of the President-Elect by adding:
1. The president-elect will also serve on the council’s University Planning and Budget Committee.

It is moved: To amend Article IV Section 1 of the Rules and Bylaws of the Professional and Scientific Council by adding the following:
1. Ex-Officio and non-council members of council committees shall be non-voting members, except where otherwise noted in these rules and bylaws. These members can be excused from all or part of a meeting by majority vote from the committee.

It is moved: To amend Article II Section 3 of the Rules and Bylaws of the Professional and Scientific Council by changing the word meeting to election in the following statement:
1. The seat vacated by the president-elect will be filled during the next council meeting election.