



# Boulder Faculty Assembly

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO **BOULDER**

**BFA Bylaws Committee** Notice of Motion

*Motion to endorse a change in the CU Faculty Senate Bylaws regarding officer eligibility*

*BFA-M-2-110722*

Whereas a guiding principle of shared faculty governance, recognized by the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado is that the faculty and the administration shall collaborate in major decisions affecting the welfare of the University and;

Whereas the Faculty Council has a primary responsibility for setting academic policy and is expected to advise campus administration on other policies and;

Whereas the University of Colorado administration has the principal responsibility for the internal operations and external relations of the university and;

Whereas the leadership of the University of Colorado Faculty Council falls to the Officers and;

Whereas the Faculty Council officers are perceived as and have a duty to serve as the voice of all University of Colorado faculty

Be it Resolved that the Boulder Faculty Assembly endorses a change in the *CU Faculty Senate Bylaws, Section III (Faculty Council), section C (Elections), part 7* to be revised from:

“The Faculty Council Elections Committee Chair (i.e. Secretary of Faculty Council) shall call for nominations for officers at least one month prior to the annual organizational meeting. Nominations may be made by any Faculty Senate member. Nominations shall be received up to and during the annual organizational meeting.”

To:

“The Faculty Council Elections Committee Chair (i.e. Secretary of Faculty Council) shall call for nominations for officers at least one month prior to the annual organizational meeting. **Only members of the Faculty Senate holding no administrative appointment above the level of department chair, division chair, division director, and institute/center director are eligible to be nominated and to run for any of the officer positions (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary).** Nominations may be made by any Faculty Senate member. Nominations shall be received up to and during the annual organizational meeting.”

Additionally, the Boulder Faculty Assembly endorses a similar change to the *CU Faculty Senate Constitution, Article III, The Faculty Council, A. Membership and Organization, 2. Officers* from:



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“The Faculty Council shall elect a chair, a vice chair and a secretary, each for a one-year term. Candidates must be members of the Faculty Senate. It is customary over time for Faculty Council officers to be selected from all of the campuses of the university, and distribution across campuses is encouraged at each election. Elections to replace an officer who does not complete a term shall be for the balance of the term with opportunity of succession.”

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