

**Motion to amend the By-Laws, Article IV, Section 3 by inserting a new subsection, which shall read:**

(d) Vacancies: If a senator position becomes vacant, the senator's proxy shall be allowed to serve as acting Senator for up to two meetings of the Senate until a new senator is elected from the Academic Plan. The Elections Committee, or the Executive Council in the case that the Elections Committee is not yet formed, shall organize an election among the students of the senator's Academic Plan, in consultation with that Plan's graduate program director, to fill the senator position. The proxy may be nominated to fill the vacant position. If no new senator is elected after two meetings of the Senate, the Academic Plan shall lose active standing until such time that a senator is elected.

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**Amend the By-laws, Article IV, Section 2, Item (c):**

Strike "in" and replace with "by".

And amend the By-laws, Article IV, Section 1, Item (a) by adding Subitem 1:  
The elections rules must be approved by the Senate by the end of the January meeting.

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**Amendment to the By-Laws, Article IV, Section 2. Insert as Item (c) and re-label subsequent Items:**

(c) Each member of the Executive Council and all Senators who are in active standing at the time polls open shall vote in officer elections.

And amend the By-Laws, Article II, Section 3, Item (c) 3. Strike the word "elect" and replace with "vote for".