

UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FACULTY SENATE
Committee on Charter & Bylaws
Proposed Bylaws Amendment
April 3, 2012

The Charter & Bylaws Committee of the UDC Faculty Senate moves the Faculty Senate to amend the Duties of Faculty Senate Officers section of its Bylaws, page 3, second bullet, to eliminate the authority of the Faculty Senate Chair to appoint committees and committee chairs to in favor of the appointment of a Convener who would assemble committees of volunteers who would in turn elect their chairpersons, as follows:

- Appoint conveners of the Standing Committees. The first duty of a Convener shall be to call a meeting of volunteer Senate members whose first order of business shall be to elect from their number a Chairperson. Committee Chairs may be removed from office for cause on motion of the Chair of the Faculty Senate and two-thirds vote of the full voting membership of the Senate, a quorum being present, at a duly called and noticed meeting of the Faculty Senate. Cause shall consist of gross nonfeasance, gross misfeasance, malfeasance of office, or conviction of a felony.

Recalling perceived abuses from previous Faculty Senates, the Committee recommends this departure from the standard prerogative of organization chairpersons to build their own teams to enable more directly democratic committee involvement.

Vote in Committee:

___7___ Ayes ___1___ Nays

Respectfully submitted,

Chairperson