

## **Report of the Chair of the Charter and Bylaws Committee, 3/11/11**

In January 2011 when the Board of Trustees considered the Faculty Senate Charter and Bylaws, it changed the language of parts of each document. Some of the changes contained errors or omissions that the IAS Committee on Charter and Bylaws is requesting that the IAS alter in anticipation of the transition to the Faculty Senate.

The suggested changes are as follows:

- I. Page 1: The Board-inserted phrase "Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the term of the replaced representative by the Officers of the FS, by majority vote, upon consultation with the members of the relevant department or unit." seems to suggest that FS officers will select a replacement for any Senator who leaves office early from among the other members of that senator's unit. This gives the FS Officers a uniquely undemocratic power.

-We suggest that the IAS change the language back to that first approved by this body in September 2010. Namely: "Vacancies shall be filled by special election and shall be for the remainder of the term of the replaced representative."

- II. Pgs. 6 and 7: The Board added a CCDC Committee. A move which the Committee supports. The Board did not, however, clarify how the CCDC Committee and the ASPPC and ARC Committees would interact. We suggest the following language to clarify the relations between the two committees.

-On page 7 following the CCDC Committee description, we suggest that the IAS add the language "Following consideration by the CCDC Committee, all proposed changes to CCDC Academic Programs will be forwarded to the ASPPC for consideration. All Proposed changes to CCDC admission, retention, and graduation procedures will be forwarded to the ARC Committee for consideration."