RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the manner of conducting elections for faculty committees and the Faculty Senate is not codified anywhere in UWM Policies and Procedures; and

WHEREAS the traditional manner of conducting elections has the advantage of simplifying the vote-counting process but the disadvantage of allowing a minority to elect an entire slate of candidates in some circumstances; and

WHEREAS alternative systems of voting, such as Proportional Representation by the Single Transferable Ballot, offer the promise of more representative election results, and are adaptable to the quotas occasionally specified in UWM Policies and Procedures (e.g. "no more than x to be elected from a single school or college"); therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate ask the Codification Committee (1) to identify and articulate the various systems of conducting elections that are feasible for the UWM campus; and (2) to present the alternative systems, with recommendations and a rationale, to the University Committee, by November 1, 1983, for forwarding to the Faculty Senate. (The Codification Committee should solicit faculty advice in the course of its deliberations, and also determine whether a codified system of conducting elections may be applied to the Faculty Senate without amending Chapter I.)

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