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Proposition: 03-26/27

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Title: A Bill to Amend Proposition 05-23/24 to Establish a Voting Faculty Senate Seat on the NMSU Global Faculty Advisory Council

Date Submitted: TBD

Sponsor(s): TBD

Proposed Committee: University Planning Committee

Prior Approvals: NMSU Global Faculty Advisory Council bylaws, Revision 3, dated February 1, 2026

Proposal:

Proposition 05-23/24 is amended as follows:

1. Membership.

The membership provisions of Proposition 05-23/24 are amended to add one voting seat representing the Faculty Senate. The Faculty Senate Chair, the Faculty Senate Vice Chair, or another Faculty Senator appointed by the Faculty Senate Chair may occupy this seat.

2. Voting status.

The Faculty Senate representative shall be a voting member of the NMSU Global Faculty Advisory Council and shall have the same voting rights as other voting members.

3. Eligibility exception.

Any eligibility requirement that members currently teach courses offered through NMSU Global shall not apply to the Faculty Senate representative.

4. Conforming revisions.

The NMSU Global Faculty Advisory Council shall revise Article III and any other affected provisions of its bylaws to conform to this amendment.

All other provisions of Proposition 05-23/24 remain unchanged.

Rationale:

Proposition 05-23/24 created the Online Learning Council, now operating as the NMSU Global Faculty Advisory Council, as an advisory body to the Chancellor of NMSU Global. The original proposition did not expressly reserve a voting seat for the Faculty Senate.

Article III of the Council bylaws now includes the Faculty Senate Chair or Vice Chair in the membership. However, the bylaws do not expressly state that the seat is a voting seat, do not authorize another senator appointed by the Faculty Senate Chair to serve, and contain a general eligibility requirement that all members currently teach NMSU Global courses.

This amendment places the Faculty Senate seat in the Council's authorizing proposition, confirms the representative's voting status, permits the Faculty Senate Chair to appoint another senator when appropriate, and prevents the Council's teaching eligibility requirement from unintentionally excluding the Senate representative. These changes strengthen coordination between the Council and the Faculty Senate while preserving the Council's advisory role and the Faculty Senate's existing shared-governance responsibilities.