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Membership Committee Meeting
March 27, 2013

Present: Matt Zaske, Judy Kuechle, Zak Forde, Jodi Sperr, Kristin Lamberty,
Troy Goodnough

Zak gave a recap of the election process. He has had a little bit of a struggle getting people to serve. Zak will ask the current committee chairs if they are willing to serve again if their term allows them to continue. The student slate should be ready a day or two before our second meeting. Because the term lengths are different between Constitutions, it was decided that we should make a clean break from the old Constitution regarding length of terms. Term lengths will now be for three years instead of two-year terms. People will be allowed to serve two three-year terms. Zak will go through the committee roster and adjust the terms accordingly.

It was suggested that the Membership Committee try to populate committees that aren't as popular first. A reminder will be sent out to the campus before the forms are due. We will include language that the Membership Committee will assume people are willing to serve on any committee if they don't complete the form. Zak will include standard text about how the instant runoff voting works before the next Campus Assembly meeting.

Troy believes we should work on the common goal of finding the right people to get them on the right committee. Even though the committee preference form is streamlined, there may be some cases where people don't want to say something or put something on their form. In that case, they should be able to contact people who represent them, ie Civil Service chair, MASA chair, etc. We could include a statement like "we realize there are some circumstances when you would prefer not to respond, please contact your representative. It would be good to get people to stay something about where they want to serve even if they are already serving on a committee.