

# Memorandum

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Re: Amendment to VP selection process

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On February 6, 2014, the Marquette University Student Government Senate passed an amendment to the MUSG Constitution that provides a replacement to the Vice President selection committees should a Vice President seek a second term and adds a member of the respective department to the committee. Please sign the legislation summary and send it back to me via campus mail and/or e-mail in pdf form.

Attached is a summary and copy of the legislation. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

CC: Samuel Schultz, MUSG President  
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## Senate

2013 - 2014

### Summary of Legislation

#### Amendment #7

**Authors:** Senator Murphy Quill

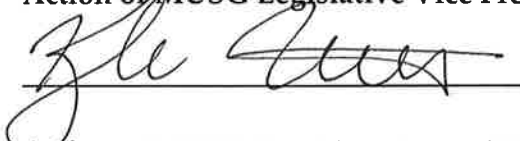
**Sponsors:** Senator Thomas Schick, Senator Johnson, Senator Lukas Baker, Senator Nathan Craft, Senator David Rynerson

**Senate Committee:** Business & Administration

**Action of the MUSG Senate:** Approved by Vote of 28-0-0

**Senate Rationale:** The MUSG Senate believes that there needs to be a constitutionally sanctioned option to replace a sitting Vice President on a selection committee should he or she seek a second term. Further, the Senate feels strongly that a member of the department who is not in an executive position will provide valuable insight to the selection process and ought to serve on the committee.

**Action of MUSG Legislative Vice President Kyle Whelton**

 Date: 2/7/14

**Action of MUSG President Samuel Schultz**

 Date: 2-7-14

**Action of the Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. L. Christopher Miller, Ph.D.**

 Date: 2-11-14

Amendment #7:

“Or Designee” Language to Vice President Application Process

Author(s): Senator Quill

Sponsor(s): Senator Schick, Senator Johnson, Senator Baker, PPT Twaddle, Senator Craft, Senator Rynerson

Whereas: It is the role of Marquette University Student Government (MUSG) to actively identify, understand, address, and represent students’ needs, concerns, and interests; and,

Whereas: The selection committees responsible for appointing the Program Vice President, Financial Vice President, and Communication Vice President are stipulated by the Constitution; and,

Whereas: The Constitution states in Article VI, Section 2, Subsection A; Article VI, Section 3, subsection A; and Article VI, subsection 4 that the current PVP, FVP, and CVP respectively shall sit on the committee selecting their successor; and,

Whereas: The Constitution does not provide guidance as to whom should fill their seat if a sitting PVP, FVP, or CVP should seek another term.

Therefore: Let Article VI, section 2, subsection A be amended to read:

“The Program Vice President shall be recommended by the Program Selection Committee comprised of the following: the President as Chair; the current Program Vice President *or designee, a departmental member of programs appointed by the President,* the Dean of Student Development or designee, one Senator appointed by the Legislative Vice President, and one student at-large appointed by a Student Advocate in consultation with the Executive Vice President. The recommendation shall be presented by the President and is subject to approval by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the present Senate. The Program Vice President shall then take office on February 1 and serve until April 30 of the following year;” and,

Furthermore: Let Article VI, section 3, subsection A be amended to read:

“The Financial Vice President shall be recommended by the Financial Selection Committee, comprised of the following: the President as Chair, the current Financial Vice President *or designee, a departmental member of finance appointed by the President,* the Dean of Student Development or designee, a

representative from the University Comptroller's Office, one Senator appointed by the Legislative Vice President, and one student at-large appointed by a Student Advocate in consultation with the Executive Vice President. The recommendation shall be presented by the President and is subject to approval by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the present Senate. The Financial Vice President shall take office on January 15 and serve until February 15 of the following year;" and,

Furthermore: Let Article VI, section 4, subsection A be amended to read:

"The Communications Vice President shall be recommended by the Communications Selection Committee comprised of the following: the President as Chair, the current Communications Vice President *or designee, a departmental member of communications appointed by the President*, the Dean of Student Development or designee, one Senator appointed by the Legislative Vice President, and one student at-large appointed by a Student Advocate in consultation with the Executive Vice President. The vote of the present Senate. The Communications Vice President Shall then take office on February 15 and shall serve until April 30 of the following year."