In an effort to increase participation in the office of Academic Senate President, this Task Force has put together several options to change the Academic Senate Constitution.

Through discussion we identified the following barriers to participation:
1. Lack of interest in running for Academic Senate President due to a desire to teach.
2. Steep learning curve in the Office of Academic Senate President

To address these issues, we settled upon the idea of a President-Elect position. However, there are several models to choose from and the following are brought forth for discussion by the Senate.

1. 4-Year Presidential Cycle.
   a. Elections held every-other year for the President-Elect.
   b. Those elected serve a 1-year term as President-Elect, a 2-year term as President, and a 1-year term as Past-President.
   c. There is a possibility of eliminating the Vice President position as there will always be a President-Elect OR Past-President to serve in a similar capacity
   d. Past-President duties will need to be described explicitly in the Constitution, as it currently does not exist as an official office

   PROS:
   1. This model, or one very similar to it, is in use at other Community Colleges of varying size
   2. Provides a training period as President-Elect and additional support from Past-President during first term
   3. Something
   CONS
   1. This is a long time to serve in a position
   2. If Vice President position is eliminated, other committees will need to update their rosters to reflect the change
   3. Something else

2. 2-Year Presidential Cycle
   a. Elections held every year for the President-Elect
   b. Those elected serve a 1-year term as President-Elect and a 1-year term as President. Potential for a 2-year re-election.
   c. They may still optionally serve as a Past-President as is currently in the Constitution.
   d. Vice President may be subsumed into the President-Elect position as their functions would largely be the same
   PROS:
   1. In this model, nobody has to be President for long so it may be less daunting
   2. There is still a training period of 1 year as President-Elect to lower the learning curve
   3. Something else
   CONS:
   1. This is a short time to be President and causes a potential lack of stability