Faculty Senate Bylaws Amendment (Proposed) dated 7th February 2009
Section 3.02 Membership
Insert new section (f) following current section (e) of the by-laws

(f) Senators may arrange for a proxy to represent them at a Senate meeting. A proxy must be a member of the Senate and agrees to represent the Senator. A proxy can not represent more than one other Senator at a meeting and is expected to indicate whom (s)he is representing when (s)he signs in for each Senate meeting. Senators serving as a proxy will have voting rights in place of the Senator they are representing.

Change old section (f) into new section (g)

(g) Senators who have not arranged for their Alternate Senator (or proxy) to represent them at a Senate meeting are considered absent from that meeting. A Senator who is absent from three or more Senate meetings in any one semester is considered to have resigned.

Rationale:

While it is best that an Alternate represent an absent Senator, it is recognized that the designated Alternates may not be available (especially on short notice). Consequently, a Senator who wishes to responsibly ensure (s)he is represented properly ought to have the ability to call on a fellow Senator to serve as a proxy in his/her stead.

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