

Proposed Revisions to the *Palmetto College Campuses Faculty Manual*  
 Palmetto College Campuses Faculty Senate  
 University of South Carolina

Brief Title of Proposed Change	Renaming Vice Chair as Chair Elect
Committee Proposing Revision	Executive Committee
Date of Presentation to Senate	9/22/2017
Senate Approval Date	11/10/2017

**Rationale for Proposed Revisions**

- The position of Vice Chair in the current manual becomes chair automatically the following year. A position like this is typically called ‘Chair Elect’ rather than ‘Vice Chair’.

**Summary of Proposed Revisions**

- We replace ‘Vice Chair’ with ‘Chair Elect’ at eleven places throughout the manual.

**Section and page numbers of the current *Manual* for proposed revisions**

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