MEMORANDUM

March 20, 2019

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Kristina M. Johnson, Chancellor

SUBJECT: Amendment to 8 NYCRR Part 331.9 (University Faculty Senate)

Action Requested

The proposed resolution authorizes final rulemaking to revise the regulations of the State University of New York and the Policies of the Board of Trustees to provide that upon election to the University Faculty Senate, the vice president/secretary shall serve as a voting member of the senate.

Resolution

I recommend that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

Resolved that commencing with publication of a Notice of Final Adoption in the State Register, part 331.9 of Title 8 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, being Article VII, Title C of the Policies of the Board of Trustees, be and hereby are, amended to read as follows (brackets denote old material to be deleted):

331.9 Vice-president/secretary. Before July 1st of each even-numbered year, the senate shall elect one of its elected members to serve as vice-president/secretary for a term of two years. Upon election as vice-president/secretary, the elected member shall vacate the position as representative of his or her unit in the senate and shall serve as a [non]voting member of the senate. The vice-president/secretary shall take and keep minutes of the senate and shall exercise such other powers and duties as the senate shall provide in its bylaws. The vice-president/secretary shall serve as president of the senate during that officer’s absence or inability to act.
The vice-president/secretary of the senate may be reelected for a second term, but may not thereafter be eligible for a successive term provided however that a vice-president/secretary initially elected to fill less than half of a term arising from a vacancy is eligible to serve two additional successive full terms.

Background

This resolution authorizes final rulemaking to implement amendments to 8 NYCRR Part 331.9, codified also under Article VII, Title C of the Policies of the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees previously adopted these amendments at its November 15, 2018 meeting. As part of the rulemaking process, the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the State Register on December 5, 2018 and, to date, no comments have been received. The rulemaking process will conclude with the publication of the Notice of Adoption in the State Register.