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TO: MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

FROM: LIN TIAN, CHAIR, COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ELECTIONS

RE: SENATE ELECTIONS

The Committee on Rules and Elections is pleased to announce the election results for Academic Year 2018-2019:

Elected Members of the [Committee on Committee](#) for two-year terms:

- Professor Michael Dawson – SNS
- Professor Jeff Gilger – SSHA
- Professor Linda Hirst – SNS
- Professor Arnold Kim – SNS

Elected [Divisional Council](#) At-Large Members:

- Professor Patricia LiWang (two-year term) – SNS
- Associate Professor Yanbao Ma (one-year term) - SOE

Information from the [Division Bylaws](#) regarding voting:

II.III.3.D.1. Candidates receiving votes on at least 35% of the valid returned ballots will be declared elected.

II.III.3.D.2. If more candidates receive votes on at least 35% of the valid ballots cast than there are vacancies to be filled, those having the highest percentage will be declared elected.

II.III.3.D.3. If fewer candidates receive votes on at least 35% of the valid ballots cast than there are vacancies, a second mail ballot must be taken. It must list the nominees not elected but receiving the highest percentage on the first ballot, but not to exceed twice the number of remaining vacancies.

II.III.3.D.4. Those receiving the highest percentage on the second ballot are to be declared elected for such vacancies as exist. A tie for the last vacancy is broken by lot.

Information from the [Division Bylaws](#) regarding At-Large Members:

I.IV.1.B. At-Large members elected by the Division. There will be one at-large member per hundred Senate members or fraction thereof, up to a maximum of nine at-large members.

I.IV.2.C. At-Large members will serve two-year terms. Half of these members will be elected each year.

I.IV.2. D. At-Large members will be elected in the same manner and at the same time as members of the Committee on Committees. When candidates are to be elected for both one and two-year terms, those with larger numbers of votes shall receive two-year terms.

277 ballots were distributed, 176 were returned, representing a 63.54% voter participation rate.

Terms begin on the first day of the Fall semester, unless otherwise designated in Divisional legislation.

The Senate congratulates and thanks the candidates for placing their names in nomination.