

Under Procedures in the By Laws for the Advisory Committee for the CSU Professorship, it states in 1. b.: All nominees must have at least ten years' service as teaching faculty at CCSU and be, at a minimum, tenured associate professors. Upon careful inspection of this statement nothing is explicitly stated how those ten years of service are counted. Nor is anything implied about this. As is true for promotions, it is common practice at CCSU that faculty will apply for a promotion to the next rank at the beginning of their fifth year in their current rank because the Contract has been interpreted to mean that a faculty member must have completed five years in rank at the time the promotion to the next rank is awarded. Logically, the same concept should apply to a faculty member that applies for the CSU Professorship. In other words, consideration of a candidate ought to be made for the CSU Professorship even in situations when a candidate would not have completed ten years of service until the time when the CSU Professorship is awarded.

Therefore, I would like to bring to the Steering Committee of the Faculty Senate an agenda item to be considered by the Faculty Senate that puts forward the following proposal for consideration of approval by the Faculty Senate and that would be implemented immediately.

PROPOSAL: To change Section 1. b. under Procedures in the By Laws for the Advisory Committee for the CSU Professorship so that it explicitly states how the ten years of service are to be counted when considering a faculty member for the CSU Professorship. To be consistent with the way years in rank are counted for promotions, a proposal is being made to change Section 1. b. as follows ---

All nominees must be at least in their tenth year of service as teaching faculty at CCSU and be, at a minimum, tenured associate professors.