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### **2.1.7 Rules for the election of two members of the Academic Staff at the rank of Professor or Associate Professor to the Council, 1994 to 2003**

Under Regulations 18 of the University of Cyprus (Bodies of the University) Regulations 1994

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1. (a) The Rector shall determine the date, time, and place of the voting for the election of the two members of the academic staff to the Council.

(b) The date of the election shall be announced at least three weeks prior to the voting, and all members of the academic staff shall be notified in writing, in accordance with Article 5(1)(b) of the University of Cyprus Law.

2. Nominations shall be submitted to the Rector no later than one week prior to the date of the election, on a special form that must be co-signed by four members of the academic staff.

3. The names of the candidates shall be listed alphabetically on a special ballot.

4. (a) The Rector, in consultation with the candidates, shall appoint a three-member Election Committee.

(b) The Election Committee shall supervise the conduct of the election by secret ballot, count the votes, take a final decision on any objections, and announce the results.

5. For the election, the single transferable vote system shall apply. Each voter shall rank all the candidates in order of preference; otherwise, the ballot paper shall be considered void.

(i) If a candidate obtains more than 50% of the first preference votes, he/she shall be elected.

(ii) The candidate who obtained the fewest first preference votes shall be eliminated, and the vote of each voter who gave a first preference vote to the eliminated candidate shall be transferred to the candidate the voter chose as his/her next choice.

(iii) The above procedure shall be repeated until two candidates remain, who shall then be elected.

(iv) In the event of a tie in the final stage, the two candidates who obtained the greatest number of first preference votes in the initial count shall be elected. If there is also a tie in this case, the candidates who obtained the greatest number of second preference votes in the initial count shall be elected, and so on.

If more than one candidate obtains the same number of votes in the initial stage (ii) mentioned above, one shall be eliminated by drawing lots.

6. Upon completion of the election, the Election Committee shall prepare the minutes, which shall be submitted to the Rector.

**7.** The ballots shall be placed in an envelope, which shall be sealed by the Chairperson of the Election Committee and be retained in the archives of the University. The envelope may be opened by the Chairperson of the Election Committee only in the event of an objection to the election.

**8.** In the event that no other candidates are standing for election, the members shall be elected automatically, without a vote being held.

**The present Rules were approved by the Interim Governing Board at meeting No. 34, dated 14-15.11.1994, and were amended by the University Council at meeting No. 71, dated 13.7.2000, at meeting No. 76, dated 27.2.2001, at meeting No. 84, dated 21.11.2001, and at meeting No. 98, dated 22.1.2003.**