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Executive Committee

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NEW STUDENT SENATE REPRESENTATION

Dear Valpo Students,

Your Student Senators have been working throughout the academic year to modernize the Student Senate Constitution and Bylaws. One of these changes included creating a more efficient representation model for Student Senate. The legislative positions that will represent students in the 2022-2023 academic year are as follows:

- 4 First-Year Senators
- 4 Second-Year Senators
- 4 Third-Year Senators
- 4 Fourth-Year Senators

- 6 At-Large Senators
- 3 Commuter Senators
- 1 Graduate Senator

This representative model allows for students to better connect with their Senators because of the broader definitions of these constituencies. The 16 Class Senators are defined in terms of graduation date to alleviate the confusion with the amount of credits and the corresponding year. The 6 At-Large Senators will represent the entire student body; so a variety of students can provide insight on students' concerns. The 3 Commuter Senators offer the opportunity for our growing commuter population to advocate for non-campus residents. Student Senate will also be adding a Graduate Senator who will promote and elevate graduate student concerns. This Graduate Senator will be appointed by the Graduate Student Advisory Council. We are very excited for these elections to take place in April!

Sincerely,

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