

Approved Amendment to Folk/Ethno Governance

1. The department elects a chair every four years. This person serves as well as director of his/her institute. (Here we follow existing procedures in electing the chair.)
2. In tandem with the election of the department chair, the other institute elects a director for confirmation by the faculty of the entire department, to serve a renewable two-year term. Tenured members of the department's faculty are eligible to serve as institute director. All voting members of the institute faculty are entitled to take part in the election of the institute director, and all voting members of the department faculty are entitled to take part in confirmation of the elected director of the institute.ⁱ
3. The director's role is to ensure effective administration of the institute, particularly in regard to curriculum, and to represent the interests of the institute and the profession at-large. As the director of the institute is not slated to be chair of the department, this person will not be obligated to attend budget meetings unless invited to do so by the chair.

ⁱ for present purposes, "voting members of the faculty" signifies tenure-eligible faculty, jointly-appointed faculty, research rank faculty, academic specialists, and lecturers who are working full-time in the department. It does not include affiliated faculty from other departments.