Rational for Amendments to the Academic Senate Charter

The purpose of the amendments to the Senate Charter are to update information contained in it to reflect how the Senate is currently operating including new duties for the Secretary to upload Senate documents and maintain the Senate website which also serves as the Senate archives. The amendment also gives the Secretary 1.5 credits reassigned time per semester to compensate for the time it takes to fulfill the duties of the office.

The amendments will add a new category of committee called Select Committees which will replace many ad hoc committees that are serving as permanent committees (i.e. Writing Intensive ad hoc committee).

The amendments will add an "at large" Executive Committee member that will represent Pālamanui Campus. This member will not represent a department but rather all the faculty members on the Pālamanui campus.