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Administrative: 2011 Election Process Review Agenda Item #01b

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Presented by: Science Panel Chair Timothy Quinn and Tammy Owings

Proposed Action: Decision

Summary: At the September 2009 Science Panel meeting, the Panel approved the below process for election of officers. At this meeting we would like to review the process and decide on any changes. The current approved process is as follows:

- The Panel will hold an annual election process at the September/October meeting (whichever is latest) and vote for a chair and vice chair for a one-year term,
- Current members of the Science Panel are eligible,
- Interest in serving as the chair will be provided to staff in written form one-month prior to the election meeting,
- Staff will provide a memorandum to Panel members two weeks prior to the meeting providing listing of interested candidates,
- The election of officers will be conducted via ballot at an open meeting of the Science Panel,
- Highest vote is elected chair, person with second highest number of votes becomes the vice chair, and
- New officers will take their seat on January 1.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends keeping the process the same other than holding the election at the November/December meeting (whichever is latest). This allows newly appointed Science Panel members to vote for the Panel officers.