In collaboration with the Handbook Committee, the RTP Committee recommends the following Faculty Handbook amendment:

Appended to Handbook Part ONE, Section IV, Part E, subsection b

In the event that UTPC seats are unfilled following an election, Faculty Council will make appointments to fill those seats. Faculty Council will first attempt to fill missing seats with faculty from the appropriate division. In the event there are no full rank faculty in the division able or willing to serve on the committee, then Faculty Council will make appointments that seek to diversify the disciplinary backgrounds of UTPC members.

Faculty Council will need to adopt a new procedural policy with acceptance of the above amendment. We recommend:

In the event of needing to appoint faculty to serve on the UTPC outside of the faculty divisional structure in place, FC will consult with the existing members of UTPC to ask about the academic backgrounds and modes of inquiry to look for potential gaps. Some possible considerations might be broad areas represented (e.g. Humanities, Social Sciences, STEM, Business, Professional) or types of scholarly inquiry (e.g. qualitative, quantitative, etc.).