

**5/4/09 Statement from Brian Christman
Candidate for Chair-Elect
Vanderbilt University Faculty Senate**

I am willing to stand in nomination for the Chair-Elect of the Faculty Senate. The breadth and depth of intellect and imagination represented in this august group is breathtaking. A position that entails facilitating discussion among such faculty about events critical to our university is highly appealing—I believe we have much to offer in our advisory role to our colleagues in senior administration.

I've been a Vanderbilt faculty member for 22 years. In that time I've developed skills during each of the different positions in teaching, research, patient care, and administration I have had the privilege to hold. If the Senate decides favorably on my candidacy, I look forward to applying these skills on behalf of the faculty and students of this great university.