



Associated Students

Bill #4

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Subject: Elections Senator Organizational Directive Revision

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Whereas: The responsibilities of the Elections Senator, as currently outlined in the Organizational Directive of Associate Students, are outdated. Updating this directive is imperative to ensure clarity for students aspiring to apply for the position and to ensure that the document aligns with our current values of advocacy and inclusion.

The current Organizational Directive states that:

- The ELECTIONS SENATOR shall:
 - Be in charge of all A.S. elections and follow the guidelines of the Elections Directive
 - Be able to interpret the Elections Directive at his/her own discretion
 - Schedule a clear timeline for all dates pertinent to the election process. i.e. the application due date, informational meetings, and the election days
 - Prepare election information for prospective candidates. i.e. campaigning rules and procedures, qualifications, expectations of the position
 - Set up a poll worker schedule with volunteer and/or paid poll workers, and meet with all of them prior to the election dates to inform them of the Elections Directive and operational procedures
 - Present the results of the A.S. elections to the Senate
 - Present a report within three weeks of the conclusion of the Elections, in consultation with members of Elections Committee and the candidates, their personal recommendations regarding improving future elections

- Chair the open forum for candidates to state their platforms

Therefore: The following changes shall be made to the responsibilities of the Elections Senator in the Org. Directive.

Line #2: *“Be able to interpret the Elections Directive at his/her own discretion”*

This line shall be changed, for inclusion, to *“Be able to interpret the Elections Directive at ~~his/her~~ their own discretion.”*

Line #3: *“Schedule a clear timeline for all dates pertinent to the election process. i.e. the application due date, informational meetings, and the election days”*

This line shall be changed, for clarification, to *“Schedule a clear timeline **with the Elections Committee** for all dates pertinent to the election process. i.e. the application due date, informational meetings, and the election days.”* and shall be moved to Line #4 to make room for a new Line #3 that is specified below.

Line #3: *“Create and chair the Elections Committee.”*

This line shall be added to further clarify the responsibilities of the Elections Senator, as they will be working very closely with the Elections Committee.

Line #5: *“Set up a poll worker schedule with volunteer and/or paid poll workers, and meet with all of them prior to the election dates to inform them of the Elections Directive and operational procedures”*

This line shall be removed since the method of voting is determined by the Elections Committee and can change every year.

Line #6: *“Present the election information to the prospective candidates through at least two mandatory meetings.”*

This line shall be added to reflect the responsibilities the Elections Senator has as described in the AS Elections Directive Section VI, C: *“There will be a mandatory meeting for candidates. A minimum of two sessions will be scheduled to accommodate those candidates interested in running for office.”*

Line #7: *“Report once per week to the Senate.”*

This line shall be added to further clarify the responsibilities of the Elections Senator, as this is a clear responsibility of the Elections Senator described in the

AS Elections Directive Section II, F: *“The Chairperson of the Elections Committee will directly report once per week to the Senate.”*

Line #7: *“Present a report within three weeks of the conclusion of the Elections, in consultation with members of the Elections Committee and the candidates, and their personal recommendations regarding improving future elections”*

This line shall be removed since the requirement to present a report is not within the Elections Directive. Additionally, it is not specified who or what the report is for.

Line #8: *“Chair the open forum for candidates to state their platforms”*

This line shall be removed since the requirement to chair an open forum for the candidates to state their platforms is not within the Elections Directive.

Revised Version:

- The ELECTIONS SENATOR shall:
 - Be in charge of all A.S. elections and follow the guidelines of the Elections Directive.
 - Be able to interpret the Elections Directive at their own discretion.
 - Create and chair the Elections Committee.
 - Schedule a clear timeline with the Elections Committee for all dates pertinent to the election process. i.e. the application due date, informational meetings, and the election days.
 - Prepare election information for prospective candidates. i.e. campaigning rules, procedures, and qualifications and expectations of the position.
 - Present the election information to the prospective candidates through at least two mandatory meetings.
 - Report once per week to the Senate.
 - Present the results of the A.S. elections to the Senate.

A.S. Senate

For: _____ Against: Wanamouls Abstain: S Date: 11/21/23

A.S. Executive Board

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Date: 11/21/23

A.S. President

Approve Veto

Signature

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Date:

12/12/23