

Academic Senate Elections Rules

Adopted by the Academic Senate Council on 2020-03-03

1) Purpose

The Academic Senate Elections Rules detail procedures for both officer and co-chair elections in addition to those contained in both the Constitution and By-Laws.

2) Nominations

- a) Nominations and current candidate details will be public information
 - i) Nominations will be announced in Senate Council meetings
 - ii) Nominations and candidate statements will be posted on the Senate elections webpage that is maintained by the Senate Secretary in consultation with the Elections Committee chair for officer elections and the Senate President for co-chair elections and officer vacancies.
- b) Call for nominations
 - i) Information on the current release time, additional meetings, and duties of each position shall be included with the call for nominations. This is additional information to the descriptions in the By-Laws and Constitution.
 - ii) However, both duties and release time are fluid, changing with executive teams and in response to trends in the state and locally and are at the discretion of the Senate President
- c) Candidates may only run for one position
- d) Candidate statement guidelines
 - i) Limited to 500 words
 - ii) Address the following questions:
 - (1) Discuss your experience and qualifications
 - (2) Why do you want to serve in this role?

3) Elections

- a) There will be an option for write-in candidates
- b) Uncontested elections
 - i) In the case of a single candidate, that candidate must receive a majority vote with a ballot including both “yes” and “no” options

4) Term Limits

- a) Any officer or faculty co-chair that serves more than 50% of a full term shall count as having served a full-term.

5) Amendments

Amendments to the Academic Senate Elections Rules requires a majority vote by Senate Council for adoption.