MINUTES UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417 February 3, 2015 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Avinoam Baral, Heather Hourdequin, Conrad Contreras, Irmary Garcia, Manjot Singh Sofia Moreno Haq, Negeen Sadeghi-Movahed, Allyson Bach, Greg Kalfayan, Cynthia Wong, Carlos Quintanilla, Heather Rosen, Savannah Badalich, Cindy Wang

ABSENT: Fabienne Roth

GUESTS:

I. Call to Order

-Baral calls the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

II. Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet has been passed around

III. A. Approval of the Agenda

- -Bach strikes ASRF.
- -Contreras strikes EVP Travel and Advocacy Grant
- -Sadeghi-Movahed strikes Transfer Representative Report
- -Badalich second. Hourdequin seconded

11-0-0 the agenda is approved.

III. Approval of the Minutes from January 20, 2015

- -Rosen moves to approve minutes. Badalich seconds.
- 12-0-0 the minutes are approved.

III. Public Comments

V. Special Presentations

A. -Baral states the commemoration of Freedom Riders on Friday evening and we are passing a resolution to commemorate Freedom Riders. We know the history of the freedom riders in general and the impact they had on national level and local level at UCLA and more local level which is the institution that is USAC. They had a large impact on the system USAC is and the institution and thought someone who has seen more

-Rick states that series of roots by Alex Hailey the slavery experience and griots of oral history. It gets into your age group. I'm 75 in January and in 1960 I was 20. I did undergrad back East in Wesley and came to UCLA as a first year graduate student in 1962. I was away for about 16 years and board of the religious conference center after being in city government for 16 years. As its true with each of you, I was fully engaged of passions and events of our time. I don't know you personally but I know that much

about you. We are very much in the middle of things. The story I'm about to tell and the outcome ill say 2 useful comments are the things he's heard about and involved in plenty of things and this is what I've heard about other people that have done it. I've gotten good contemporary sources. In 1960 there were the sit ins in Greensboro North Carolina, three years later there have been integration under court order of little rock high school in Arkansas. There were sit in attempts in the deep South. Everything I've said was old confederates where state power was aligned under segregation enforced ruthlessly. There were here in pockets and hard to get land for example. Under national level and Plessey court case. In 1961 the Congress of Racial Equality in New York launched the first freedom ride in places like this. There's lots of discussion about states right and property rights. There were 2 bills and 2 sets of billboards. One was a picture of Dr. King and four other people and the labeling underneath was marginalized. There was one other billboard that said "never."

In 1961 James Farmer mad others designed it was time to launch Freedom Rides to force interstate commerce commission to desegregate buses and lunch counters and so forth. The intellectual genius was that it was clearly interstate. It took off the table the states rights arguments and opened the door for America to have a look at what the heck was going on for African American people. The first ride took place and showed the bus burning in Alabama and the freedom riders bus was burning. The sign says never all over the South. When call of conscience went out to people of good will to take up more rides, by the way the bus were burning and people were badly beaten concussions and skull fractures. So call of conscience went out and from North east came a chappelin of Yale and Wellesley and got a ride from east coast and if they wanted o stop this stuff called the Pincer movement in compliance with the 1954 decision. On that bus came Dr. Singleton, Helen Singleton who were on the ride to Jackson to Houston and went to Mississippi and sat here. The offices were on the fourth floor and at the time we didn't know that the international division was under control of the CIA. Nichols was Caucasian on the Houston ride and was verbally beaten and threw them into beatings. They were returned into bail money and cant use mandatory collected fees to bail them but Chancellor Murphy helped them out personally. They needed appeal bond to be able to come back. They were forcing the issue and drawing the attention of this campus. A good deal of politics comes from this battle. None of us knew that we were going to win and get interstate commerce to step up or civil rights pass, there was a lot of resistance. The resistance was strong, they came back and recognized that problems of South were also here in the North. One of them was that people were inspired by them who either went on other actions. The Kennedy administration was able to get the ride to stop and shifted people to voter registration. They created foundation funding and voter registration was very dangerous things to do for large parts of the South. How many of you have seen Selma? What happened to the lady happened all the time. It was very dangerous in the South and the lunch counter sit ins, job opportunity, and people were inspired by that. In 1965 people were inspired to work here for fair housing and remarkable groups went South after MLK Jr speech to go South and go to Georgia. Nichols wound up national director of the civil rights of national student association. All over the country people risked their personal safety. There's another strand and came back with recognition there was a lot of work to do here. Dr. Singleton and a man named Tom Holbert coming from Northern Student Movement had come out here and help Mrs. Singleton started the

Venice Tutorial Project. Venice is significantly gentrified and were out there doing it as volunteers and they realized that if we can get the support of ASUCLA and the support of the university to begin to provide logistical support then we can create institutions that will live on after we're gone and expand. They also recognized something else, that the NSA office was not really the place for that. The NSA office was for lobbying issues but surely more of an advocacy operation and decided they wanted to create a commission. We talked about it contemporarily and realized people didn't have the votes for constitutional amendment and called the senators general representatives. They've had the elected vice president and had the community service commission. They've went to fraternities and said campus events and went to cultural groups for cultural affairs commissions. It's a companion to civil rights and exploded into free speech movement. It grew out of the UC Berkeley because they were raising money for bail and out of that said cogs of machine and created Academic Affairs Commission to get seats on senate. There's some higher degree to get more input. Out of that came to add Student Welfare Commission who becomes wellness commission who would take care of lower income students. At the same time, the basic mechanism was the commission system. The genius they stumbled in was that they cant fool each other. You cant fool peers to make reports and a lot more than talking heads in student senate. People are inspired in the South and this specific set of directions that came out of the movement. About 6 months ago we're having another decent cup of coffee, one of the most pleasant moments in my life he hadn't realized how much root it would take. I took him to the fourth floor and met students and walked and here we have 4.5 decades and he walks in and the institutions still go. The lady works and she is the daughter of one of the young people who was supportive of the freedom riders. Thank you for all you've done as one of the set flames alive. We should all realize that we stand on the shoulders of all sorts of folks. You are a part of a student association is without question the strongest student association of the country. You are the most important. I'm doing a little teaching Winter and Spring and public policy.

-Baral moves to add an action item to do the UCLA Freedom Riders Commemoration Resolution. Rosen seconded. 12-0-0 the resolution is added.

VII. Officer and Member Reports

A. President – Avinoam Baral

-Baral stated that advocacy plans include UC tuition plan, council of presidents, meeting with UC President Napolitano, Mental Health revitalization, with continued communication with All of Us and UC President Napolitano mental health services fee. Another thing is administrative accountability. One of the things is administrative VC Powazek and Chief Herren with quarterly meetings, UCPD Body cameras, and complaint forms, a paper form. The law that governs body cameras doesn't include UCPD and how do we push this further There's interview process VC diversity, equity, and inclusion. Its important we have a voice and continue to provide input. Another thing we're advocating is post-grad access to career services. The access to bruinview and career counselors up to 6 months after graduation for alumni support, SFAC and student fees, improving

bruinview usability, specific feedback, focus groups, and publicizing the 1st destination survey. Another initiative and working on café Powell to renovate Powell and assessment phase, priorities of renovation, heating and cooling, bathrooms, healthy dining, and outdoor seating. Further USAC Endowment with quarterly reports and yearly transition meetings with Roy Champawat and Patty Zimmerman as the reviewer and approver. We would reinvest the payout (\$5,567.50) with link and description on the UCLA giving website. Something we are looking at doing is USAC Alumni Network, with the USAC Affinity program such as former council members, outreaching to people in offices, alumni event, USAC wide, alumni day, and fundraising for the USAC endowment. We need a transparent and more open conversation about budget stability with 10k endowment allocation, townhall on USAC 7pm at 2/12 in Kerckhoff 417.

- -Contreras asked if he's met with council of presidents and what's your stance on that
- -Baral states he wants to make sure we're in sync for lobbying efforts
- -Badalich states for Café Powell look to Healthy Campus initiative and provide funding and be interested in using that survey. The UC President's food initiative renovated sunset rec so they can have options for growing sustainable foods. The mental health services fee, a very small portion of that actual fee will go to counseling psychological services and wont change number of counseling sessions available and I'm against fee increases and event his is not enough so consisted reaching out to legislators. Talk with Elizabeth Gunghay and has done 2 presentations on mental health services fee and have a conversation to figure out what's best.
- -Garcia has a question about UCPD body cameras, if you do have the details do you know who would be checking over the cameras or be in charge of that. Garcia said they want to see what works in UCPD and take onto a larger scale for LAPD and bring whatever information you have back to students.

B. Internal President – Heather Hourdequin

-Hourdequin stated that the student vendor applications were released today and due February 10. If your interested in selling crafts or goods you should apply. We have been planning LGBT awareness week and have an outline on what its going to be. We are going to have a wall of handprints outside the LGBT center and have the athletics fearless project started by Jeff Shang in 2003 and go around to college all over colleges and photograph athletes who are out. On Tuesday we are going to have queer chats and privileged walk and q² which is questions for queers. On Wednesday its going to be Woman Wednesday and have an open forum discussion at the LGBT center and have a faculty dinner dialogue on the hill. On Thursday we have different religions and background. On Friday we have national day of silence and we want to have some sort of speech in Meyerhoff Park where we break the silence and pride parade around on campus. If any of you want to get involved please feel free to let me know. We also have campus safety week and last week I met with campus safety alliance and hammered out some more details and the facilities point people and IVP met and ironed out all the logistics. We are going to have disaster preparedness and EMT's and sidewalk CPR and regular CPR and meet with Cynthia this week and talk about Student Risk Education Committee and Self Defense Classes. There's a major issue right now with theft and electronics stolen around campus safety.

-Badalich says they cant get certified on sidewalk and potentially putting them in emergency situation when they are intoxicated so they don't suffocate.

C. External Vice President

-Contreras stated the student regents are coming in room 2 and 3 regarding tuition increases from 3-4 in SAC. On Friday we have a conference with Senator Lara in 12pm in bruin plaza and talk about legislation and how it affects students and educating students on it. On Saturday and Sunday they're having the UCSA board meeting and different campaigns and I will be presenting with UCSD EVP and talk about message for lobbying for funding for higher education. I'm also helping Bach with diversity requirement and helping out Badalich with consent grams. We are opening up Student Lobby Conferences to lobby on specific bills supporting and bills surrounding IGNITE and UConsent. We have an event called campus climate legislative day to Aurelia. -Friedman stated we've been working this whole quarter because of her work at UCLA Government Relations office and reached out to Contreras and felt like a perfect fit and have legislators to come to campus instead of going out to lobby them. This is an opportunity for students to go up to their staff and have some interaction and get to know people regarding certain issues on February 27, 2015 on Friday from 11-5 at James West Alumni Center. They did the meet the candidates there and have the legislators come for certain parts of the day and know the people that are specifically oriented to issues such as affordability or accessibility, sexual assault, mental health, and environmental issue. The first part is presentation and last 20 minutes would be question and answer period. -Contreras said to reach out to staff

-Friedman said we just sent out to local legislators and federal and state with all different levels.

C. General Representative 1

-Singh says there's a public speaking workshop week 6, 7, and 8. The first one is general presentations, the second is defending an argument, and the third is coprogram with transfer rep on how to interview and resume critiques. For multicultural engagement is unveiling the Hub to get that across and get administration to understand the importance. We have moveable mobile space on February 9 at 7pm in James West Alumni Center. There will be multicultural swap meet and dances. The third thing is continuing advocating for Mental Health Conference this Sunday.

D. Academic Affairs Commission

-Bach states she's working with EVP to draft the resolution that we passed to be a fit for UCSA and voting on diversity requirement resolution. Contreras office created a move on petition to gain support online which will be voted on February 24-March 10. We had professional resource fair last week and all offices tabling and reached about 330 students and able to get student professional organizations and orgs on campus and edge program to come out and share. The stress free day on March 9 from 11-2 and be a great way to have a table in week 10 and we can add you to coprogramming list. Spring quarter week 4 is AAC fight for education week to promote awareness and if you have any committee in your office. We will be launching a survey about class planning!

- -Badalich said fight for education k-12 how would you want to help?
- -Bach says the focus of the week was access to education.

- -Wong asks what week is that?
- -Bach says week 4 spring quarter.
- -Rosen said FSC is doing finance workshop.
- -Bach stays how to resource fair

E. Student Wellness Commission

-Badalich said they have mental health conference this Sunday with amazing keynote speakers and offices. There's 30 student groups in total and all going through past training and anything stigmatized is safe space to talk about own issues and how to refer people to other resources. We're reaching a cap of 250 students that can be fed. We are balancing the budget and that's why I'm coming to you all. The UC Task force for preventing sexual violence and sexual assault met last Thursday and who needs to be educated and what they should be educated on such as prevention and knowing your rights. Another interesting topic was respondent services and respondent is the accused student. The advocate office is my pride and joy and we are sort of afraid what that would look for as respondent. Respondent services are something the UC will spearhead. The idea behind it is that they will have similar but different resources. They will still get access to counseling in a separate location. There's many other things that go along with this and a lot of survivor activists that aren't comfortable with the idea, but essentially if we fix the system that was broken and fairness and equality in the system then having equal resources for both of them wont change the case. With consent grams you pay \$1 and it goes towards Santa Monica Rape Treatment Center and all of materials to UCSA and they have to charge and give proceeds to local community. We are going to have part 2 about sexual assault in townhall this Friday at 11:30 AM and this location is to be announced. Samahang reached out to us on consent and alcohol and have parties leading up to their culture night and as board be there to support their members. We had to develop information what we explain the parties to be like and make it discussion based and training the board to lead the discussion. If your board member is talking about the issue you know you can go up to talk to them and train the trainers who have influence in their community. This is the first one where we have 200 students this Saturday. There's a national Sexual Violence in Berkeley and copresenting with VP for UCOP about compliance and task force for student pricing and go up. To address sexual violence in UC Berkeley seeing they have the most negative reaction to sexual violence prevention. Last year University Virginia and Dartmouth and Swarthmore and have really bad legacies of suppressing sexual violence.

- -Baral asks when the second townhall is
- -Badalich said this Friday at 11:30 and the location is to be announced
- -Baral asks if that conference is on Wednesday and Thursday?
- -Badalich says yes, its hard for students but its really for administrators.

F. Administrative Representatives

-Lazarovici says I used to cover LA city hall but one of the things he did for city controller that one of the private clubs that used public party that was men's only and forced integration. He said there are a lot of ghosts in Kerckhoff and there's a lot of energetic residue and stored energy. I used to cover student government for Daily Bruin after I was appointed administrative representative I felt déjà vu and had to remember it

all again. There's things in the south interactive lunch counter to sit on and simulate being in a sit in and a remarkable museum. Just because everything comes full circle, this place that's Powell backyard that used to be where the career center was. Now its practically in Westwood Village and its far. When the career center was right in the middle of campus there were protests there all the time mostly against CIA and ROTC. ROTC was because discrimination against gay and lesbians and there were always protests against ROTC. I brought a lot of show and tell things such as a book that's a photo essay and Robert Singleton is marked with yellow post-it. This is a photo essay and what would your future selves be like in this book? The other show and tell is fliers from various student flier activities to give you a sense of what the fliers are.

- -Baral states he was equally impressed with Rick and history. The faculty center is really nice and I've got married there.
- -Zimmerman said they're in the final stages for website and contact majority of webmasters because we have cleaned up all the issues that were involved and ensure the codes work smoothly. The way we have reset it up is that it limits and texts with less plug ins.

VIII. Funding Allocations

A. Contingency Programming

-Hourdequin stated \$17,246.22 required. Requested is \$4,999.39. Recommended is \$2,110. Remaining balance \$79,621.99. Hourdequin moved to approve. Contreras seconded.

12-0-0 contingency allocation approved

B. Student Organizations Operational Fund

- -Pascal said the SOOF pool was only \$20,623 so the average allocation per organization was around \$190-200. We allocated it and multiplied each score by 3000 and dispersed it.
- -Wong asks if groups can apply for SOOF in Spring?
- -Pascual said no only two rounds because they should be using it to operate in Spring.
- -Baral moves to approve. Badalich seconded.
- -Singh asks if you're sitting in hearings can you vote?
- -Baral says ves.

12-0-0 the SOOF allocations are approved.

C. Cultural Affairs Mini Fund

-Garcia said there's 5 allocations thus far and first we have Vietnamese Culture Night, Dance Teams, SLAM, and Epsilon Alpha Sigma We have an updated total of \$3,000. The committee meets every Friday from 4pm to 5pm. This is the Arts Restoring Community Fund.

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

A. A Resolution to Commemorate the UCLA Freedom Riders
A Resolution to Commemorate the UCLA Freedom Riders

Sponsored by Cynthia Wong, Greg Kalfayan, Fabienne Roth & Sofia Moreno Haq

WHEREAS, from the 1880s until the 1960s, several states imposed racial segregation in education, health care, marriage, transportation, and most other public and private realms with Jim Crow Laws, thereby cultivating a system of racial apartheid and disenfranchisement; and

WHEREAS, in 1954, with its "Brown v. Board of Education" ruling, the United States Supreme Court invalidated its 1896 "Plessey v. Ferguson" decision that had established a "separate but equal" paradigm for American society and perpetuated a practice of statesponsored segregation; and

WHEREAS, university students established the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) in 1942 to challenge racial segregation and emphasize active but non-violent tactics on which the Freedom Rides were modeled; and

WHEREAS, from May to November 1961, more than 400 black and white activists defied Jim Crow Laws by boarding buses nationwide and riding across state lines into the south; and

WHEREAS, the Freedom Riders endured both violence and threats of imprisonment in order to challenge the racial status quo; and

WHEREAS, the Freedom Riders utilized non-violent methods to draw international attention to the issue of civil rights equality and laid a rich foundation of social activism which continues to inspire our campus community; and

WHEREAS, the Freedom Riders were therefore one of countless groups who transformed American consciousness and conscience with respect to civil rights all during the decade of the 1960s when the landmark Civil Rights Act was passed; and

WHEREAS, the Freedom Riders fought segregation, which directly benefitted the UCLA campus, the surrounding communities in Los Angeles, and the United States; and

WHEREAS, within the scope of the UCLA community alone, the ripple effects of their actions continue to be felt and seen through the numerous community outreach and retention projects, the integration of the previously all-white student apartment complexes, and the introduction of ethnic studies courses on campus; and

WHEREAS, the actions of the Freedom Riders served as a stimulus for institutional changes in the Undergraduate Students Association Council including the creation and implementation of the Commissions and the General Representative positions;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that with sincere appreciation, the Undergraduate Students Association Council recognizes the Freedom Riders' courage, resilience and commitment to furthering a more socially just society and the lasting

impact of their activism on the history of our student government and campus community; and

THEREFORE, LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Students Association Council commends the University of California, Los Angeles for honoring the Freedom Riders at Royce Hall on February 6th, 2015; and

LET IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Students Association Council will continue to work for diversity, equity and inclusion on UCLA's campus and beyond.

- -Baral states that this notion of freedom riders versus former ucla free riders. We shouldn't call them former freedom riders because the work reverberates and people keep working on it. Just to change the tense.
- -Wong said that clause its past tense because of the context of the decade.
- -Baral says take out the last 2 therefore to "let it be finally resolved"
- -Kalfayan moves to approve UCLA Freedom Riders Resolution. Badalich seconded. 12-0-0 Resolution to Commemorate UCLA Freedom Riders is approved.

B. Election Code

-Baral moves for 5 minute recess at 9pm we will start again.

Election Board USAC Election Code Changes

-Shagun states he wants constructive criticism, no slate politics, and cannot change one article without changing the other. The layout changes and new code.

In terms of Article 1: Purpose and Intent is keeping the purpose and intent of the election code for election board, in terms of article 2 outlines purposes and job description of eboard and added a new finance committee within election board, article 3 is about ballot propositions, article 4 is about the recognition of actual slates within the election and slates need to register with eboard but not UCLA as an entity and ultimately defines and outline slates for signatories and signing up and outlines the corresponding forms, and limits one candidate per slate per office, and eboard has the power to sanction slates, and a candidate can only be affiliated with one slate.

- -Badalich asks if they will send out later tonight
- -Shagun said he'll send it after this presentations
- -He states that article 5 candidates voting opens anytime after 9AM on first day of voting and close before 5pm on a weekday of the last day of voting, unless eboard determines these hours must change because its within business hours. Article 6 hasn't changed. Article 7 says the dates and time of special elections shall be determined by election board chairperson with approval of USAC and campaign procedures designated by election board. Article 8 has general regulations with guidelines that have been updated based on slates and political parties and section 10 details social media campaigning guidelines and no campaign materials within living establishments. You cannot go dorm storming into any owned university facility. If there's any violation or false/misleading information its enough to sanction individual candidates and slates. Article 9 is campaign expenditure and if people failed to turn in expense accounts, falsify information, exceeding spending caps are all means for disqualification by review of the finance committee. Candidates will be held accountable for their expense accounts even after the

election. The election board chairperson determines the date. Article 9 is direct source citing for amounts about \$20 must provide name, monetary amount, and affiliation with source. There's no form of funneling money and if the sources given to us were not ready are up against subjective review. We want to set the cap for election board chairperson fixed monetary amount between \$800-950 and nonexecutive \$650-\$800. Slate spending is money spent on every single candidate of the slate. You must disclose sources, expenditures, direct sources, amounts. Each slate gives an additional \$200 per candidate for slate's promotion, with a maximum of \$2,000. This is based of Berkeley and there's a good loophole if they want to split a slate into 3 so as candidates join a slate the pool of money goes up but you can only add up to \$2,000. Independent candidate running against a slate gets \$400. For article 10 endorsements student groups must submit questions to election board to be approved and in terms for debated protocol for audience behavior during debates, holds slates, candidates, and students responsible for their behavior. They will assign a time limit for asking questions and failure to adhere to it will lead to sanctions. For article 11 adjudication and authority and added a social media part of it that if we do put sanctions there's no activating by any on their social media pages. Article 13 hasn't changed.

ARTICLE I - PURPOSE AND INTENT

1.1 Purpose

These bylaws provide for the conduct of all USAC elections.

1.2 Equal Protection

This Code are intended to ensure that each candidate is afforded an opportunity for election equal

to that of any other candidate for that office, and proponents and opponents of referenda and

propositions are afforded an equal opportunity for their participation.

ARTICLE II - ELECTION BOARD

- 2.1 Purpose and Scope
- 1. Control of all USAC elections and related activities shall rest with the Elections Council.
- 2. The authority of the Elections Council shall be limited in scope to only those duties stated

in the USAC Constitution, its By-Laws and this Election Code and those duties essential and imperative in carrying out the same.

- 3. The Election Board has original jurisdiction over the Election process.
- 2.2 Election Board Composition
- 1. The Election Board shall consist of an Executive Committee and five Subcommittees: Investigations, Publicity, External Relations, Endorsements, and Finance. All positions expire at the end of the Spring Quarter.
- 2.3 Election Board Selection Process
- 1. The Election Board Chairperson shall be appointed in the Fall Quarter by the Undergraduate

Students Association President and must be approved by the Undergraduate Students Association

Council, herein referred to as the USAC, during the Fall Quarter. The appointment shall be made

through an impartial selection of applicants solicited in the Spring Quarter through the Daily

Bruin. The Election Board Chairperson will remain in office until her/his resignation or removal,

or until the completion of the Spring Quarter.

2. In the event of the resignation or removal of the Election Board Chairperson, a new Chairperson

shall be appointed for the balance of the unexpired term by the Undergraduate Students Association President. The newly appointed Chairperson must be approved by the USAC.

3. During the Fall Quarter, the Election Board Chairperson shall appoint a Vice Chairperson who

must be approved by the USAC. The Election Board Vice Chairperson will remain in office until

her/his resignation or removal, or until the completion of the Spring Quarter.

4. The Election Board Chairperson shall appoint Subcommittee Directors who must be approved

by the USAC. These members shall serve until her/his resignation or removal, or until the completion of the Spring Quarter.

5. In the event of the resignation or removal of the Election Board Vice Chairperson or any

Subcommittee Director, a new student shall be appointed for the balance of the unexpired term

by the Election Board Chairperson. The newly appointed Vice Chairperson or Subcommittee

Director shall be approved by the USAC.

6. The Election Board Chairperson shall be responsible for appointing members to the respective

subcommittees in conjunction with the Subcommittee Directors. These members shall serve until

resignation, removal, or completion of the Spring Quarter.

7. All members of the Election Board shall be ineligible for election to any USAC office, and

shall not take part in any campaign during their term. Any Election Board member may be

removed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the USAC at the recommendation of the Election Board

Chairperson. An Election Board member may be suspended from his/her duties pending the

2removal proceedings.

8. After the final determination of Election Board members, a list shall be submitted to the

Undergraduate Students Association President, the USAC, the University- appointed Administrative Advisor, and the ASUCLA Historian for the historical files.

- 2.4 Election Board Chairperson Responsibility
- a. Election Board Chairperson responsibilities shall include the following duties:

- i. The Election Board Chairperson shall be responsible to the USAC for the administration of all Undergraduate Students Association elections. In addition to his/her duties, the Election Board Chairperson is accountable for all Election Board duties and responsibilities.
- ii. The Election Board Chairperson shall maintain absolute impartiality in the administration and conduct of all elections.
- iii. To nominate additional members of the Board as may be necessary for the efficient administration of the election
- iv. To make temporary rules as necessary and publish them in The Daily Bruin and get them approved by the Election Board;
- v. To assist the other members of the Election Board when necessary;
- vi. Controls and Regulates the disbursement of the Election Board budget.
- vii. To carry out such other functions and duties as required under the USAC Constitution and Bylaws.
- viii. The Election Board Chairperson shall have jurisdiction over all Undergraduate Students Association election-related processes during the academic school year.
- ix. The Election Board Chairperson shall verify the eligibility of all candidates, as provided for in this Election Code, through the Dean of Students Office in the following manner:
- a. The Election Board Chairperson and/or University-appointed Administrative Advisor will deliver the candidate eligibility petitions and applications to the Dean of Students Office or his/her designee.
- b. The Dean of Students will notify the University-appointed

Administrative Advisor of the results of the candidate eligibility check.

- c. The University-appointed Administrative Advisor will notify the Election Board Chairperson of the results of the candidate eligibility check.
- b. The Election Board Chairperson shall report in writing to the USAC the results of the candidate eligibility check, and recommend the certification of all candidates who have met the

eligibility requirements.

c. The Election Board Chairperson shall make a report, in writing, to the USAC and the University-appointed Administrative Advisor concerning the conduct of elections and to make

recommendations and submit drafts for proposed changes in the Election Code.

d. The Election Board Chairperson shall recommend the certification of the elected candidates to

the USAC prior to the installation of the new Council.

e. The Election Board Chairperson shall provide the ASUCLA Historian with a copy of the final

results of the balloting, for the historical files.

f. The Election Board Chairperson shall present the Election Calendar to the USAC. The Election

Calendar shall include:

- i. Deadlines for picking up and returning petitions for candidacy.
- ii. Date of Campaign Orientation Meeting.

- iii. Dates of on-campus campaigning.
- iv. Campus leaflet days.
- v. Deadlines for filing expense accounts.
- 3vi. Dates of voting.
- vii. Polling hours.
- viii. Dates for endorsement hearings and debate.
- ix. Date for mandatory student group endorsements meeting
- x. Date for official registration of slates with the Election Board, if necessary.
- g. To issue temporary rules to be approved by Election Board.
- 2.5 Duties of the Election Board Vice Chairperson
- 1. The Election Board Vice Chairperson shall assist the Election Board Chairperson in his/her duties

and shall be responsible for all staff workers, as well as office maintenance.

2. To assume the duties of the Election Board Chair in the event of the resignation, removal, or

temporary or permanent disability of the Chair to perform his/her duties, until such time as a

replacement is selected;

- 3. To act as the primary liaison between all candidates and the Council;
- 4. To conduct, or delegate the conduction of, the Candidate Orientation' Meeting;
- 5. To design and provide all filing forms;
- 6. To maintain a file of all Council records, papers, forms, reports, or statements filed by each

candidate, slate or group.

7. To verify the validity of all filing form information, including candidate names, and to inform

affected candidates, so far as possible, of any problems or inconsistencies.

- 8. To assist the other members of the Elections Council when necessary;
- 9. To carry out such other functions and duties as required under the USAC Constitution and

Bylaws.

- 2.6 Duties of Election Board Publicity Committee
- 1. The Election Board Publicity Subcommittee shall be responsible for promoting elections, including all advertising in the campus media concerning the election and the recruitment of Election Board members.
- 2. The committee will be responsible for organizing an Orientation Meeting (which shall be

conducted by the Election Board Chairperson) and publishing the election results.

3. Responsible for the advertisement and publicity of campaign packets and deadlines prior to

elections.

- 4. To provide other such extensive publicity as s/he deems necessary.
- 5. Controls the disbursement of the marketing budget.
- 6. Responsible for maintaining and updating the USAC Election Board website and social media.
- 7. Updates election forms and documents on the website prior to elections.

- 8. To assist the Elections Council Chair and to be responsible to him/her;
- 9. To provide extensive publicity of the candidate filing period and election, in such a manner to

ensure that all elements of the campus community will receive equal notice;

- 10. To assist the other members of the Elections Council when necessary;
- 11. To carry out such other functions and duties as required under the USAC Constitution and

Bylaws.

- 2.7 Duties of the Election Board Investigations Committee
- 1. The Election Board Investigations Subcommittee shall be responsible for verifying expense

accounts and investigating alleged violations or infractions of these Bylaws committed by any

campaign participant.

2. The committee is responsible for approving non-stampable material and forwarding campaign

material from Designated Campaign Representatives and candidates to Student Government

Accounting in a timely manner, as necessary for the purchase of non-stampable material.

43. Responsible for reading the complaints entered or submitted, even by a third party, and

responding appropriately within a timely manner.

4. Schedule to meet with the petitioner of a complaint and the accused to discuss the alleged

violation to provide context for the situation.

5. Take into account circumstances and make a decision regarding the petition to either take further

action or not.

- 6. If a violation does occur, determine the sanction based on the criteria noted in
- 7. Write a report on the sanction issued for election records.
- 8. Act as a representative of Election Board before the Judicial Board.
- 9. To keep all slate and candidate registration forms
- 10. To ensure that all regulations concerning ballot measures are followed fully
- 11. To carry out such other functions and duties as required by the Election Board Chair and the

Election Code.

- 2.8 Duties of the Election Board External Relations Committee
- 1. The Election Board External Relations Subcommittee shall be responsible for communication and coordination with such bodies as the Daily Bruin, Residential Life, MyUCLA, and other administrative groups, throughout the elections process.
- 2. In addition they will be responsible for organizing an official debate as outline in ARTICLE

X for all interested designated campaign representatives no later than 2 school days prior to

the commencement of voting. Designated Campaign Representatives and/or candidates are not

required to attend this debate.

- 3. Responsible for the organization of "Meet the Candidates" event.
- 4. Responsible for administering the Debates which includes informing participants at the Candidate

Orientation Meeting about the layout and regulations regarding the debates and the "Meet the

Candidates Event".

5. Perform other such duties as deemed necessary by the Election Board Chairperson and the

Election Code.

- 2.9 Duties of the Election Board Endorsements Committee
- 1. The Endorsement Committee shall be responsible for organizing and conducting endorsement

hearings as outlined in ARTICLE X.

2. The Committee will be responsible for communicating with, organizing, and validating endorsing

groups.

3. The Endorsements director will also be responsible for informing all endorsing student groups of

the endorsement hearing process and regulations

- 4. S/he will also serve as liaison between student groups and the Election Board.
- 5. Responsible for compiling the final, official list of all endorsing parties for the particular election

and making them accessible to the general public.

6. Responsible for the approval of questions sent by student groups/students wishing to pose

questions at the endorsement hearing.

7. Perform other such duties as deemed necessary by the Election Board Chairperson and the

Election Code.

- 2.10 Duties of the Election Board Executive Committee
- 1. Responsible for serving in an advisory capacity to the Election Board Chairperson in his/her

decision making capacity.

- 2. Responsible to pick a secretary of Election Board
- 3. Provide assistance to members of the other committees with the execution of their duties, if

necessary.

- 4. Post Election Board office hours and investigation sanctions to be accessible to the public
- 55. Office upkeep
- 6. Help the Election Board chair with the finances of the Election Board.
- 7. Perform other such duties as deemed necessary by the Election Board Chairperson and the

Election Code.

2 11 Duties of the Election Board Finance Committee

- 1. To administer and enforce the USAC campaign finance provisions and regulations as stated in the USAC Constitution, USAC Bylaws, and temporary rules.
- 2. Responsible for financial records of all USAC candidates and slates.
- 3. To administer and regulate USAC campaign spending raised and spent to influence USAC elections.
- 4. To issue guidelines before elections at the Candidate Orientation Marketing as necessary
- regarding campaign finance, advisory opinions being formal guidance on the application of USAC campaign finance law to specific activities.
- 5. If a majority of the Committee votes to find reason to believe that a violation of USAC campaign finance rule has occurred (whether or not a complaint was filed to the Committee), the Finance Committee will investigate the matter.
- 6. If an audit reveals inconsistencies or that a registered party, independent candidate, or candidate running with a party has exceeded the spending limits and/or used funds for purposes against the USAC Constitution, Bylaws and/or temporary rules, the case will be investigated by the Finance Committee.
- 7. Perform other such duties as deemed necessary by the Election Board Chairperson and the Election Code.
- 2.12 Other Duties of the Election Board
- 1. Members of the Executive Committee, Vice Chairperson, and the Chairperson will be responsible
- for hosting Office Hours during normal business days during election season.
- 2. Office hours shall be held on school days by the Election Board, beginning the date that
- campaign packets are made available. These office hours must be posted on the Election Board
- Bulletin Board and should be held through the final election.
- a. The Election Board shall provide each applicant or in the case of a ballot initiative, referendum, constitutional amendment or recall measure designated campaign representative with a campaign packet, which shall include the following:
- i. An application and petition for candidacy with space for seventy-five names, signatures, and registration card numbers.
- ii. A complete election calendar.endorsement
- iii. Election expense account form(s).
- iv. A copy of the Undergraduate Students Association Election Code.
- v. A copy of the Procedures of the Undergraduate Students Association Judicial Board.
- vi. A copy of the Undergraduate Students Association Constitution.
- vii. A copy of the Undergraduate Students Association Bylaws.
- viii.A copy of the UCLA Activity Guidelines (University Rules and Regulations).
- ix. Information on the mandatory Campaign Orientation Meeting.
- x. Dates for endorsement hearings and debate.
- xi. A copy of the UCLA Residential Life Student Handbook.
- xii. A copy of the SOLE rules for signboards.

xiii.Rules for the purchase of materials that cannot be stamped by the Elections Board.

6xiv. Procedures for purchasing non-stampable material through Student Government Accounting.

3. The Election Board shall make campaign packets available at least ten school days prior to the final day of petition filing. The availability of campaign packets and deadlines for

submission shall be publicized prior to the deadline date at least twice in the Daily Bruin.

- 4. The Election Board shall hold a mandatory Candidate Orientation Meeting.
- 5. The Elections Board shall verify the student status of each candidate.
- 6. The Election Board shall notify all candidates, if ineligible, to run for elections.

ARTICLE III: BALLOT PROPOSITIONS

- 3.1 Regulations surrounding Ballot Propositions
- 1. A Designated Campaign Representative shall be the point-to person representing the campaign

for a Ballot Proposition, such as petition, initiatives, referendum, recall, advisory vote, and

constitutional amendment.

- a. Responsibilities of the Designated Campaign Representative
- i. The Designated Campaign Representative and candidates must attend the Campaign Orientation Meeting, which shall be held subsequent to the petition filing date on a school day designated by the Election Board Chairperson and approved by the USAC.
- ii. The Designated Campaign Representative must sign a roster at this meeting to verify continued interest in the campaign. This signature will make her/him the official representative of the campaign, and she/he will be held accountable for the actions of all persons and organizations participating in her/his campaign. iii. Each campaign will have only one Designated Campaign Representative. All other persons and organizations participating in the campaign of the designated campaign representative will be called campaign participants, including the designated campaign representative.
- iv. The Designated Campaign Representative must sign a statement reaffirming the following:

My participation in the forthcoming election will be undertaken in accordance with and will be governed by: All applicable University policies and campus regulations; the Undergraduate Students Association Constitution and Bylaws; and the Undergraduate Students Association Election Code, as interpreted and implemented by the Election Board Chairperson. I acknowledge that I may be disqualified from the election process upon severe infraction of the Election Code at the discretion of the Election Board.

3.2 Petitions

- 1. Definition:
- a. A legal document, accompanied by the exact wording of the measure or request, that bears the signatures of members of the Association
- b. A petition shall be considered a valid initiative, constitutional amendment, recall measure, or petition for candidacy only after the appropriate number of signatures

mandated by the USA constitution has been validated.

- c. For clarification purposes, a "petition" is not a type of ballot proposition, but has regulations pertinent to the following ballot measures: Initiatives, Constitutional Amendments, Candidate Elections, and Recall Measures.
- 2. Responsibilities of the Election Board Regarding Validation:
- a. The Election Board shall validate signatures as soon as possible, but no later than eight (8) days after their submission.
- 7b. Only after validation by the Election Board is a student petition considered an initiative, constitutional amendment, or a recall measure, and subject to the regulations thereof.
- 3. Regulations Regarding Validation of the Petition:
- a. All campaign participants collecting signatures are responsible for following all University rules and regulations while collecting the signatures for an initiative, recall, or constitutional amendment.
- b. Before the petition is circulated, the petitioner must inform the Election Board in writing

that the petition will be distributed.

- c. All signatures collected for an initiative, recall, petition for candidacy, or constitutional amendment, in order to be considered valid, must have a signature, the signer's printed name, his/her UCLA registration card number, and the date she/he signed the petition. In addition, in order for a signature to be valid, the signer must be registered and enrolled as an undergraduate student at the time of validation.
- d. Signatures for a given petition may be collected over the course of consecutive quarters
- of an academic year. No signatures may be collected during finals week or over a quarter break.
- e. In order for a petition to carry over consecutive quarters, the signed petitions of a given quarter must be accounted for and secured by the Election Board in the Election Board office through the time that signatures may not be collected. The petition must then be re-stamped with a different stamp by the Election Board the following quarter before signatures may again be collected.
- f. Signatures are not valid through academic years, non-consecutive quarters, or for multiple elections.
- g. The original petition must be stamped and approved by the Election Board with the current year stamp.
- h. The petition must contain the exact wording of the initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment in its entirety. It may also contain a summary of the measure, as approved by the Election Board Chair.
- 3.3. Initiatives
- 1 Definition
- a. An initiative is any measure that is presented to the USAC and/or Election Board by any member of the Association in the form of a petition bearing the signatures of the Association.
- b. An initiative may be an amendment to the USA Bylaws, a policy measure, or a Student Fee Adjustment Measure.
- c. An initiative shall be understood, for the purposes of this Election Code, to be separate

and distinct from a recall measure or constitutional amendment.

- 2. Proposal:
- a. An initiative shall be validated subsequent to the presentation to the Election Board of a

petition bearing the signature of ten (10) percent of the members of the Association.

3. Dates and Times of Election:

Elections required in accordance with the initiative process shall be held within twenty eight (28)

days of the date of presentation of the petition to the USAC and/or the Election Board.

- 4. Election Requirements:
- a. Concurrence of a simple majority of those students voting in the affirmative shall be necessary to pass Initiatives, excluding Constitutional Amendments or Recall Measures.
- 8b. In the case of conflicting proposals, all non-conflicting provisions in the proposal(s) shall be enacted. The conflicting provision of the proposal receiving the highest vote shall be enacted.
- c. Legislation that is approved by popular vote of the Association shall not be amended, in whole or in part, by the Undergraduate Student Association.
- 3.4 Referendum
- 1. Definition:
- a. A referendum is any measure that is placed on an election ballot by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the USAC
- b. A referendum may be an amendment to the USA Bylaws, a policy measure, a Student Fee Adjustment Measure.
- c. A referendum shall be understood, for the purposes of this Election Code, to be separate and distinct from a recall measure or constitutional amendment.
- d. Only after motion to have a referendum passes by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the USAC shall the measure be considered a referendum and be subject to the regulations thereof.
- 2. Proposal:
- a. A Referendum requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the USAC in order to be placed on the ballot.
- 3. Dates and Time of Election:
- a. An election regarding the referendum shall be held at a time designated by the Election Board Chairperson and approved by a majority vote of the USAC, no sooner than 28 days after notice to the Election Board by the USAC. The election date and time shall be subject to relevant provisions of the Undergraduate Students Association Constitution, Bylaws, and this Elections Code.
- b. A referendum shall be brought to a vote of the Association at the Spring General Election, unless otherwise specified by vote of the USAC.
- 4. Election Requirements:
- a. Concurrence of a simple majority of those students voting in the affirmative shall be necessary to pass Referenda, excluding Constitutional Amendments or Recall Petitions.
- b. In the case of conflicting proposals, all non-conflicting provisions in the proposal(s) shall be enacted. The conflicting provision of the proposal receiving

the highest vote shall be enacted.

- c. Legislation that is approved by popular vote of the Association shall not be amended, in whole or in part, by the Undergraduate Student Association.
- d. Additionally, any relevant USA bylaws not outlined in this section must be adhered to during the elections process as well.
- 3.5 Recall
- 1. Definition:
- a. A recall is an election to remove an elected Undergraduate Student Association Officer from their office.
- b. Recall proceedings may be undertaken if it is believed that the Undergraduate Student Association officer is guilty of a dereliction of duty.
- 2. Proposal:
- a. An election for the recall of any elected Officer or the President of the Association shall be called upon subsequent to the presentation to the President of the Association a petition bearing the signature of ten (10) percent of the members of the Association, and containing a specific statement of the grounds for removal.
- 9b. The Designated Campaign Representative must register the petition for a recall election

with the USAC and Elections Board Chair.

c. The necessary signatures must be presented to the President of the Association within 30

days of the date of registration.

- d. No recall measure shall be proposed to the Association by a vote of council.
- 3. Dates and Time of Elections:
- a. Upon determination of the validity of the signatures, the Council shall call a special election of the Association within twenty-eight (28) days.
- 4. Election Requirement:
- a. Concurrence of a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those students voting in the affirmative shall be necessary to pass a recall petition.
- b. The passage of a recall measure shall constitute a legal removal from office for the Council member in question.
- 3.6 Constitutional Amendment
- 1. Definition:
- a. A Constitutional Amendment is a proposed alteration to the wording of the Undergraduate Student Association Constitution.
- 2. Proposal:
- a. Proposal by USAC Approval: Amendments may be proposed to the Association for ratification following their approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members of the USAC
- b. Proposal by Student Petition: Amendments may be proposed by student petition. Such

petition must be signed by at least fifteen (15) percent of the Association's members.

- c. Amendments to this Constitution may not be proposed either by the USAC or by student petition, or ratified by the Association, during a summer term or quarter.
- 3. Notice of Elections:
- a. Notice of the election and a complete statement of the proposed Constitutional

Amendment shall be published in the Daily Bruin at least one week prior to the election.

- 4. Dates and Time of Election:
- a. The USA Council shall call an Election within twenty-eight (28) days following the submission of a proposed amendment by student petition.
- b. Amendments proposed by the USAC shall be submitted to the Association for ratification during the next major election, unless the Council approves a special election.
- 5. Election Requirements:
- a. Concurrence of a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those students voting in the affirmative shall be necessary to pass a Constitutional Amendment, given that greater than 10% of the eligible student voters are participating in the election.
- b. In the case of conflicting proposals, all non-conflicting provisions in the proposal(s) shall

be enacted. The conflicting provision of the proposal receiving the highest vote shall be enacted

c. The Undergraduate Student Association shall not amend, in whole or in part, legislation

that is approved by a popular vote of the Association.

- 3.7 Advisory Votes
- 1. Definition:
- a. An advisory vote is a poll of the Association that is non-binding.
- b. An advisory vote is any poll of the Association placed on an election ballot by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the USAC, or by presentation to the USAC and/or Election Board by any member of the Association in the form of a petition bearing the signatures of the 10Association.
- 2. Proposal:
- a. An advisory vote requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the USAC in order to be placed on the ballot.
- b. If an advisory vote is proposed by student petition, the vote shall take place concurrent with any scheduled election that the petitioner chooses, provided that the signatures are validated at least twenty-eight (28) days prior to the election.
- c. If an advisory vote is proposed by vote of the USAC, the election shall take place concurrent with any scheduled election that the USAC chooses, by a majority vote, provided that the Election Board receives at least twenty-eight (28) days notice prior to the election.
- 3. Dates and Time of Advisory Vote:
- a. An advisory vote may occur in concurrence with any scheduled election.
- b. An election will not be held for the sole purpose of holding an advisory vote.
- 4. Results:
- a. An advisory vote shall not be considered to have passed, since it is non-binding and has no enacting clause.

ARTICLE IV: SLATE/PARTY STATUS

- 4.1 Definition of a Slate/Party
- 1. A slate/party is any group of two (2) or more persons who mutually agree to use the same party name.

4.2 Slate Signatory

A slate signatory is any person who has become a slate signatory through the procedures stated

herein. A slate signatory has the power to act on behalf of the slate and has delegated authority as

an agent for all members of that slate.

4.3 Creation of a New Slate

Any student who wishes to create a new slate can become the slate signatory of that slate by

being the first (1st

) person to do one of the following.

1. Register with the University as a Student Group and follow the rules and regulations laid

down by the University for such groups. Slates are not allowed to apply for funding from any University funding sources.

2. Submit in person to the Election Board, a written Slate Registration Form. One (1) copy

of this form will be kept with the Election Board and a second (2nd

) copy must be made

available to the registrant upon request; or

3. In case of non existence of Election Board, submit to USAC a written Slate Registration

Form. Once the Election Board Chair receives this form upon appointment, the Chair shall announce receipt of the form which will then be entered into the minutes.

4.4 Transfer of Signatory

If a slate signatory of a slate wishes to transfer the slate signatory to another member of the slate.

s/he may do so by doing one (1) of the following:

- 1. Submit in person to the Election Board, a written Transfer of Slate Signatory Form for the slate. One (1) copy of this form will be kept with the Election Board and a second (2nd
-) copy must be made available to the registrant upon request; or
- 2. In case of non existence of Election Board, submit to USAC a written Transfer of Slate Signatory Form for the slate. Once the Election Board Chair receives this form upon appointment, the Chair shall announce receipt of the form which will then be entered into 11the minutes.
- 4.5 Preservation of Slate Name
- 1. To preserve the name of a slate, the slate signatory must do one (1) of the following before the beginning of election season in Spring Quarter each year:
- a. Submit in person to the Election Board, a written Slate Registration Form. One
- (1) copy of this form will be kept with the Election Board and a second (2nd

copy must be made available to the registrant upon request; or

b. In case of non existence of Election Board, submit to USAC a written Slate Registration Form. Once the Election Board Chair receives this form upon appointment, the Chair shall announce receipt of the form which will then be entered into the minutes.

- 2. If the slate signatory fails to re-register the slate before the beginning of election season and there are no USAC elected officers affiliated with the slate, then the slate is considered to no longer exist, and the slate name may be claimed as a new slate as outlined in this Article.
- 3. If the slate signatory fails to re-register the slate by the end of the fall semester and there

are USAC elected official affiliated with the slate, the Election Board shall announce at a USAC council meeting that the slate has not registered, and any elected officers affiliated with that slate shall have the opportunity to become slate signatory by submitting to the Election Board a written Slate Registration Form. If none of the USAC elected officers affiliated with the slate becomes signatory of the slate by the end of the meeting, then the slate is considered to no longer exist, and the slate name may be claimed as a new slate as outlined in this Article.

4.6 Similarity of Slate Names

If the Election Board determines that the names of two (2) parties are similar enough to confuse

the voters, the slate name registered at the earliest date shall retain the name, and the other slate

shall choose another.

- 4.7 Slate Registration and Transfer of Slate Signatory Forms
- 1. The Slate Registration Form shall include the Slate name, the date submitted, the name and signature of the slate signatory, and the signature of the Election Board Chair or the USAC President (whomever receives the form). The form must also include a statement agreeing to the provisions in ARTICLE VIII. The signature must also prove an understanding of the necessary sanctions that could result of a violation of any of these provisions as articulated in ARTICLE VIII.
- 2. The Transfer of Slate Signatory Form shall include the slate name, the date submitted, the names and signatures of the old and new slate signatories, and the signature of the Election Board Chair or the USAC President (whomever receives the form).
- 3. The Election Board shall create the Slate Registration and Transfer of Slate Signatory Forms and make them available to the public provided that any form containing the required information shall be valid for the purposes of this Article.
- 4.8 Slate Filing Requirements

Slates/parties must register with Election Board by meeting the following Slate Filing Requirements:

- 1. In order for a slate to file candidates for an election, the slate signatory must attend the Candidate Orientation Meeting. The slate signatory may designate another person to act on behalf of the slate.
- 122. The slate signatory, or his/her agent, must also complete a Slate Filing Form, designed by

the Election Board, which shall contain the following information:

- a. The name of the Slate
- b. Names and contact information for two (2) persons authorized to act on behalf of the Slate. One (1) of these must be the Slate signatory.
- c. The names of all candidates authorized to run with the Slate for that election.

3. If a Slate has not filed with the Elections Board by the end of the Candidate Orientation

Meeting, then all candidates for that Slate shall be reclassified as independents.

4. A Slate may file only one (1) candidate for each office and up to three (3) candidates for

the General Representative Office.

5. Additionally, if a body of students resembles the characteristics of a slate/party (a group

of 2 or more persons), as outlined by this Election code, and does not meet the Slate Filing Requirements noted above then they will be subject to disqualification.

4.9 Slate Members

A slate member is defined as any individual who can be reasonably be associated with a slate

through actively participating in campaigning for the slate or its candidates.

ARTICLE V: CANDIDATES

5.1 Candidate Elections

1. Definition:

A candidate election is a process in which a vote is held to choose among candidates to fill (an) office(s).

- 2. Eligibility for Candidacy
- a. General Requirements
- i. For the purpose of this Election Code, the term "candidate" shall be defined as any member of the Undergraduate Students Association who is eligible for candidacy if she/he meets the following requirements at the petition filing deadline:
- 1. Is currently registered.
- 2. Is currently enrolled in at least 4 units.
- 3. Has at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average.
- 4. Is not subject to any administrative disciplinary sanctions, the terms of which would preclude participation in University activities.
- ii. The candidate will be responsible for obtaining the names, signatures, and student identification card numbers of seventy-five currently registered and enrolled undergraduate students on the petition for candidacy.
- iii. Those individuals who fail to submit their petition for candidacy by the petition-filing deadline will not be on the ballot. The petition-filing deadline must be held on a school day.
- iv. No member of the Association shall run for or be appointed to an office, which she/he is ineligible to hold for its full term.
- v. The candidate has the responsibility of knowing the status of his/her academic record prior to filing his/her candidate petition.
- vi. No person shall be a candidate for more than one office.
- b. Specific Requirements
- i. In order for a candidate to be considered eligible to run for Undergraduate Students Association President, she/he must have completed by the petition filing deadline (according to University standards, completed means passed with a "D-" or "P") ninety-six (96) quarter units, twenty-four (24) of which must have been

13earned while enrolled at UCLA.

- ii. For the office of Undergraduate Students Association Internal Vice President, a candidate must have completed seventy-two (72) quarter units by the petitionfiling deadline, twelve (12) of which must have been earned while enrolled at UCLA.
- iii. For the office of Undergraduate Students Association External Vice President, a candidate must have completed seventy-two (72) quarter units, by the petitionfiling deadline, twelve (12) of which must have been earned while enrolled at UCLA.
- c. Write-in Candidates
- i. For the purposes of this Election Code, a write-in candidate is a candidate whose name does not appear on the ballot, but for whom voters may vote for by writing in the person's name
- ii. A write-in candidate may only be considered for one office. The one office that each write-in candidate receives the most votes for will be considered the office for which that candidate is running, and only those votes will be officially counted. Votes for that candidate for other offices will be disregarded.
- iii. A write-in candidate must register at the mandatory campaign orientation meeting.
- iv. For the votes of a write-in candidate to be counted, she/he must meet all requirements for eligibility for candidacy for the office which she/he receives votes, except the requirement to submit a petition for candidacy.
- 3. Dates and Times of Elections
- a. USAC offices shall be filled by the General Spring Election at the completion of the terms of the current USAC officers.
- b. Special elections required to fill vacancies in the USAC that occur before the midpoint of the USAC member's term of office shall be held within twenty-eight (28) days after USAC has been notified that said vacancy exists.
- c. In the event that all candidates for an office are disqualified or withdraw, new nominations shall be accepted for a period of five school days immediately following the election.
- d. In the event that all candidates for an office are disqualified or withdraw, a special election for that office shall be held within twenty-eight (28) school days of the final petition filing date for that office.
- e. Voting shall open anytime after 9:00AM on the first day of voting and close anytime before 5:00PM on a weekday on the last day of voting, unless in the event of a special election or if the Election Board determines that these particular hours need to be changed for the particular election season.
- 4. Election Requirements
- a. Executive and Commission Positions
- i. For the election of the Executive and Commissioner positions, which includes the President, the Internal Vice-President, the External Vice President, the Academic Affairs Commissioner, the Campus Events Commissioner, the Community Service Commissioner, the Student Wellness Commissioner, and the Cultural Affairs Commissioner, the Financial Supports Commissioner, the Facilities Commissioner and Transfer Student Representative the Instant Run- off

Vote system shall be used.

- ii. The voter shall list candidates on his/her ballot in order of preference, until she/he has no further preference amongst candidates.
- iii. The Election Board and/or the USAC shall not limit the number of the candidates the voter may list.
- 14b. General Representative Positions
- i. For the election of the General Representative positions, the single transferable vote system with fractional transfer of surplus votes shall be used
- ii. The voter shall list candidates on his/her ballot in order of preference, until she/he has no further preference amongst candidates.
- iii. The Election Board and/or the USAC shall not limit the number of the candidates the voter may list.
- 5.2 Candidate Orientation Meeting
- 1. Responsibilities of the Candidate and the Designated Campaign Representative
- a. Candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives must attend the Candidate Orientation Meeting, which shall be held subsequent to the petition filing date on a school day designated by the Election Board Chairperson, and approved by the USAC. Candidates may not send a proxy. Failure to attend without an excused absence will result in an immediate disqualification from the election. An excused absence is defined as an unavoidable academic conflict (e.g. midterm) with an instructor's note provided or a health emergency with a doctor's note provided.
- b. Candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives must sign a roster at this meeting
- to verify continued interest in the campaign. This signature will make her/him the official representative of the campaign, and she/he will be held accountable for the actions of all persons and organizations participating in her/his campaign.
- c. The Candidate shall automatically be understood to be the Designated Campaign Representative for his/her campaign and shall, therefore, be responsible for any and all information disseminated at the Campaign Orientation Meeting. Any candidate not in attendance will be subject to disqualification.
- d. Each campaign will have only one Designated Campaign Representative. All other persons and organizations participating in the campaign of the designated campaign representative will be called campaign participants, including the designated campaign representative.
- e. Slate name, candidate order shall not be changed after the close of the Candidates Orientation Meeting, and no candidates shall be added to any slate.
- f. Candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives must sign a statement reaffirming

the following:

My participation in the forthcoming election will be undertaken in accordance with and will be governed by: All applicable University policies and campus regulations; the Undergraduate Students Association Constitution and Bylaws; and the Undergraduate Students Association Election Code, as interpreted and implemented by the Election Board Chairperson. I acknowledge that I may be disqualified from the election process upon severe infraction of the Election Code at the discretion of the Election Board.

- 2. Candidate's Name
- a. At this meeting, candidates who filed a petition and are found eligible will be able to decide upon the exact appearance of their name as it will be displayed on the ballot. The appearance of all names on the ballot shall be approved by the Elections Board.
- b. Candidates must run under their officially registered name (that which appears on University records), or a derivative thereof, or under a commonly held nickname. The name chosen by the candidate for the ballot, as specified on the Application for Candidacy, is final upon approval of the ballot.
- 15c. Attempts by two or more candidates to systematically alter the representation of their

names to appear similar will be prohibited (ex: putting an exclamation point at the end of five candidates' names).

- d. The order of the names on the ballot for all candidates who filed a petition and were found eligible shall be determined by a drawing of lots at this meeting. The space for eligible write-in candidates will always appear at the end of the list of registered candidates names.
- 3. Ballot Order
- a. The order of individual ballot measures and candidate names shall be determined by a drawing of lots at the Campaign Orientation Meeting. The order of ballot measures shall be as follows:
- i. Candidate Election(s)
- ii. Constitutional Amendment(s)
- iii. Recall Measure(s)
- iv. Initiative(s)
- v. Referendum(s)
- b. The order of individual candidates shall be selected in the order of the Officers of the Association in Article II, Section C.1 of the Undergraduate Student Association Constitution.
- c. Those candidates that are chosen first shall be the first name on the ballot for a given office; those chosen second shall be second; etc.
- d. Once all candidates have received their ballot locations, the location of individual ballot

measures will be similarly selected.

- e. Advisory Votes shall be positioned on the ballot as designated by the Election Board Chairperson and approved by the USAC.
- 4. The Election Walk Signboard Locations
- a. The Election Walk signboard locations shall be determined by a drawing of lots at this meeting in the following manner:
- i. The Election Walk Signboard locations will be chosen in the order of the ballot measures.
- ii. Election Walk signboard locations for candidates shall be selected in the order of the Officers of the Association in Article II, Section C.1 of the USA Constitution.
- iii. Each ballot measure or office, through a lottery system, shall be selected for signboard choices.
- iv. If a candidate or Designated Campaign Representative is chosen, she/he will

have the option of choosing a location for her/his campaign signboard.

- v. Once all candidates for a given office have chosen their locations, the location of signboards for candidates for the remaining USAC offices will be similarly selected.
- vi. Once all candidates have received their signboard locations, the location of signboards for the ballot measures will be similarly selected.
- b. All assignments of campaign signboard locations are final. Should readjustment of a campaign signboard's assigned location be necessary due to logistical reasons, the Election Board Chairperson may alter the original assignment.
- 5. Prior to the Orientation, a slate signatory must notify the Election Board of the candidates under

his/her slate and sign the binding spending limit, set by this Election Code and file any other

paperwork deemed necessary by Election Board.

6. The Election Board will set aside time at the Campaign Orientation Meeting for the Designated

Campaign Representatives to sign a binding spending limit, set by the Election Board Chairperson prior to the election.

167. A portion of this meeting shall be dedicated to the detailed explanation of campaigning

procedures in the Residence Halls by a Residential Life representative and/or the External Relations Committee Chair.

8. Campaign Representatives who chose to participate in the official debate and meet the candidates

will register at the campaign orientation meeting.

ARTICLE VI: VOTING PROCEDURES

- 6.1 Voting Procedures
- 1. Voting shall be by secret ballot. Any attempt to vote more than once will be subject to administrative admonition.
- 2. Association members will cast their vote online via a secure ballot system. In order to cast a vote.

association members will be required to log on to a secured log-in system that calls for individual

identification and password confirmation.

- 3. Voting shall occur continuously, unless paper ballots are being used
- 4. If the technological resources are not available to carry out elections online or an emergency situation exists, then a paper ballot system will be used as delineated by the following:
- a. All students, to be eligible to vote, must present their UCLA student I.D. card to the poll worker who will slide the card though the "Bruin One Card" scanner. The poll worker must be satisfied that the picture on the UCLA Students Identification Card matches the student. In order to receive a ballot, the voter must sign the Voter Registration List, and include his/her Registration number. The voter shall then be handed one ballot.
- b. The Election Board Chairperson shall determine the number and location of polling stations with USAC approval. A list of polling stations will be provided to all

undergraduate students via the Daily Bruin. Polling stations shall be open during the hours designated by the Election Board Chairperson with USAC approval.

- c. If an emergency situation threatens the security of any polling stations or students, the Election Board Chairperson, in consultation with the University- appointed Administrative Advisor, may order the closing of any or all polling stations. If polling stations are closed because of an emergency situation, the Election Board Chairperson shall determine if there is sufficient cause to warrant additional time for balloting. The additional time for balloting shall be no greater than the amount of time that the polling stations were closed. If so, the Election Board Chairperson shall notify the Undergraduate Students Association President and the University-appointed Administrative Advisor. The Election Board Chairperson shall designate the date(s), times, and polling locations with the USAC approval, and inform students of the decision via the Daily Bruin.
- d. If a polling station has been closed or moved (e.g., due to rain), a sign shall be posted at

the original location stating where other open polling stations are located.

6.2 Tabulation Procedure

- 1. Only members of the Election Board Executive Committee, the University-appointed Administrative Advisor, and others so designated by the Election Board Chairperson may be present.
- 2. At least four copies of the computer printout shall be made. These copies shall be distributed in the following manner:
- a. One shall be posted on the Election Board Bulletin Board.
- b. One shall be submitted to the Undergraduate Students Association President.
- c. One shall be placed in the Election Board file.
- d. One shall be submitted to the University-appointed Administrative Advisor.
- 173. Ballots shall be counted using a program that accurately accounts for but does not visibly report

the identity of the voter. A Designated Campaign Representative may request a recount if there is

reason and evidence to support that such a program has not been used.

4. Write-in votes shall be counted where the identity of the write-in candidate can reasonably

be determined from the ballot, and be verified as meeting all requirements for eligibility for

candidacy.

5. A statement of accuracy signed by the Election Board Chairperson (or, in his/her absence, by the

Election Board Vice Chairperson), the University-appointed Administrative Advisor, and ranking

computer operator shall be delivered to the Undergraduate Students Association President. One

copy of this statement shall be kept in the Election Board file, and one copy shall be provided to

the ASUCLA Historian for the historical files.

ARTICLE VII: REGULATIONS REGARDING SPECIFIC ELECTIONS

7.1 Spring General Election

1. Elections for USAC offices shall take place during the fifth, sixth, or seventh week of Spring

Quarter at the discretion of the Election Board Chairperson.

2. The hours of voting shall be designated by the Election Board Chairperson, per the approval of

the USAC.

- 3. The Spring General Election shall be at least three (3) full days in duration.
- 7.2 Special Elections
- 1. Reasons for holding a special election shall include:
- a. All candidates for an office are disqualified or withdraw.
- b. A student initiative, a Constitutional Amendment, or the calling of a recall election has been proposed by student petition.
- c. A Referendum has been passed by a vote of council that provides for the calling of a special election
- d. Special election is called to fill vacancies in the USAC that occur before the midpoint of the USAC member's term of office
- 2. Dates and Times of Special Elections
- a. The dates, times, and campaigning procedures and the administration of all special elections shall be designated by the Election Board Chairperson with USAC approval.
- b. No election may be conducted during the first or tenth week of classes or during finals week of any quarter.
- c. Special Election(s) shall be at least two (2) days in duration.
- d. Special Elections in Spring Quarter shall not be held within the ten (10) school days before General Elections.
- 7.3 Run-off Elections
- 1. If there is a tie-vote between candidates, a run-off election shall be held.
- 2. The run-off election shall be one day in duration, during the week following the Candidate Election, as designated by the Election Board Chairperson and approved by the USAC.

ARTICLE VIII: GENERAL REGULATIONS

8.1 Guidelines

1. The following guidelines have been stipulated in order to protect every Association member's right to vote in privacy. Should this right be infringed upon, sanctions may be levied as

deemed necessary by the Elections Board.

- 2. All Association members retain the right to vote in privacy.
- 183. There shall be no campaigning to someone who is in the process of voting, provided that the

campaigner is made aware that the member of the Association is voting.

4. Campaigning is not permitted at the time and place of voting. Campaign participants are not

permitted to campaign in the presence of an Association member who is casting their vote, so

as to persuade the Association member to vote for or against a ballot proposition. Campaign

participants will be responsible for observing this limitation at all times. This does not prohibit

campaign participants from casting their vote, provided that they are Association members.

5. There shall be no bloc voting, and if necessary, measures shall be taken at the discretion of

Election Board to prevent its use.

- 8.2 Guidelines for All Elections and Ballot Propositions
- 1. Campaigning
- a. Definitions
- i. For the purpose of this Election Code, the term "Campaigning" shall be defined as any public action initiated by (a) campaign participant(s) for any of the following purposes:
- 1. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against a USAC candidate
- 2. Promotion or criticism of the candidacy of an individual
- 3. Promotion or criticism of any individual who is running for a USAC office
- 4. Promotion or criticism of any official or unofficial group/slate of two or more individuals who are running for USAC office, even if the individual candidates are not mentioned by name
- 5. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- 6. Promotion or criticism of any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- 7. The use of social media sources, such as facebook, instagram, twitter, etc, to criticise or promote a candidate, slate, or proposition.
- ii. For the purpose of this Election Code, the term "Campaign Literature" shall be defined as any material originating from and/or distributed by (a) campaign participant(s) that contains any of the following in print, social media post, or verbal form:
- 1. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against a USAC candidate
- 2. Promotion or criticism of the candidacy of an individual
- 3. Promotion or criticism of any individual who is running for a USAC office
- 4. Promotion or criticism of any official or unofficial group/slate of two or more individuals who are running for USAC office, even if the individual candidates are not mentioned by name
- 5. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- 6. Promotion or criticism of any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- iii. For the purpose of this Election Code, the term "Endorsement Slip" shall be

defined as any material originating from and/or distributed by any registered age 16 of 29 campus organization that contains a stated endorsement or conveyance 19of support for any of the following:

- 1. Candidate(s)
- 2. (An) official or unofficial group(s) of two or more individuals who are running for USAC office, even if the individual candidates are not mentioned by name
- 3. Initiative(s)
- 4. Referend(um/a)
- 5. Recall Measure(s)
- 6. Constitutional Amendment(s)
- iv. For the purpose of this Election Code, the term "Media Advertising" will be defined to include any paid promotional material that is produced, advertised and/or distributed at UCLA or in the surrounding area (includes the 90024 zip code) appearing in any newspaper, magazine, newsletter, radio, television, or internet advertisement etc., that contains any of the following:
- 1. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against a USAC candidate
- 2. Promotion or criticism of the candidacy of an individual
- 3. Promotion or criticism of any individual who is running for a USAC office
- 4. Promotion or criticism of any official or unofficial group/slate of two or more individuals who are running for USAC office, even if the individual candidates are not mentioned by name
- 5. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- 6. Promotion or criticism of any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- v. For the purpose of this Election Code, the term "Campaign Signboard" shall be defined as any type of signboard (including A-Boards) that is displayed in public areas that contains any of the following:
- 1. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against a USAC candidate
- 2. Promotion or criticism of the candidacy of an individual
- 3. Promotion or criticism of any individual who is running for a USAC office
- 4. Promotion or criticism of any official or unofficial group/slate of two or more individuals who are running for USAC office, even if the individual candidates are not mentioned by name
- 5. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- 6. Promotion or criticism of any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- vi. For the purpose of this Election Code, the term "Sandwich Board" shall be

defined as any type of signboard (including A-Boards) that is worn or carried in public areas that contains any of the following:

- 1. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against a USAC candidate
- 2. Promotion or criticism of the candidacy of an individual
- 3. Promotion or criticism of any individual who is running for a USAC office
- 204. Promotion or criticism of any official or unofficial group/slate of two or more individuals who are running for USAC office, even if the individual candidates are not mentioned by name
- 5. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- 6. Promotion or criticism of any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment vii. For the purposes of this Election Code, Campaign Paraphernalia shall be defined as items, articles, or trinkets including, but not limited to, buttons, stickers, apparel, candy or food that contains any of the following:
- 1. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against a USAC candidate
- 2. Promotion or criticism of the candidacy of an individual
- 3. Promotion or criticism of any individual who is running for a USAC office
- 4. Promotion or criticism of any official or unofficial group/slate of two or more individuals who are running for USAC office, even if the individual candidates are not mentioned by name
- 5. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- 6. Promotion or criticism of any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment. viii. For the purpose of this Election Code, the term "Student Organization Signboard" shall be defined as a signboard (including A-Boards) belonging to a registered UCLA student organization. It must comply with Center for Student Programming standards.
- ix. For the purpose of this election code the terms listed above shall be defined as separate and complete having no conditional relationship to each other.
- x. For the purpose of this Election Code, the term "Social Media Campaigning" shall be defined as any post, picture, message, status, tweet, etc associated with the candidate/slate that is visible to voters online that contains any of the following:
- 1. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against a USAC candidate
- 2. Promotion or criticism of the candidacy of an individual
- 3. Promotion or criticism of any individual who is running for a USAC office

- 4. Promotion or criticism of any official or unofficial group/slate of two or more individuals who are running for USAC office, even if the individual candidates are not mentioned by name
- 5. Persuasion of members of the association to vote for or against any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment
- 6. Promotion or criticism of any Undergraduate Student Association initiative, referendum, recall, or constitutional amendment.
- 2. On Campus Campaigning

On-campus refers to areas and structures owned by the University of California.

- 1. On campus campaigning shall be limited by the following regulations:
- 21i. Location of Campaigning
- 1. Campaigning on-campus will begin at a time designated by the Election Board Chairperson.
- 2. Campaigning on-campus before this time is expressly prohibited. This shall not be construed to prevent designated campaign representatives from attending and participating in approved endorsement hearings or approved debates.
- 3. In the case of an emergency situation where paper ballots are being used:
- a. Campaigning is not permitted within seventy-five (75) feet, measured in any direction, of any polling station. Campaign participants will be responsible for observing this seventy-five foot limit
- ii. Campaign Signboards
- 1. Each candidate and Designated Campaign Representative will be permitted one campaign signboard to be located on Election Walk i.e., the area north of Bruin Walk and west of Powell Library.
- 2. Candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives are allowed to put group affiliation on their signboards, but may not mention other candidates by name.
- 3. Total size shall not exceed 32 square feet with width not exceeding 8 linear feet. Campaign material may not appear on more than 32 square feet of surface.
- 4. Posts may not be secured in the ground.
- 5. The Election Board shall mark Election Walk according to the lots drawn at the Candidate Orientation Meeting. The signboards may not be put up until 12:00 a.m. of the day on-campus campaigning begins.
- 6. All candidates and designated campaign representatives shall remove their campaign signboards from Election Walk and fill in all holes, by noon on the Sunday following the election.
- 7. If there is a run-off election the campaign signboards still relevant to that election may remain until the Sunday after the final election.
- 8. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a bill from the Department of Buildings and Grounds for the removal of the campaign signboards.
- 9. If a Designated Campaign Representative fails to pay this removal fee assessed by the Department of Buildings and Grounds, a lien will

be placed on his/her registration packet through the Dean of Students Office.

- iii. Sandwich Boards
- 1. Sandwich boards must be worn whenever the message (e.g., letters, pictures, etc.) is in public view, and may not be worn or displayed anywhere on campus where to do so would cause disruption of the normal flow of traffic.
- 2. Sandwich boards shall not be displayed when not being worn or carried. iv. Student Organization Signboards
- 1. Student Organization Signboards may be used in elections for nonpartisan purposes (such as the promotion of voter turnout).
- 2. A Student Organization may use their signboard to display their Endorsements.
- 3. Student Organization Signboards shall not contain campaign material, except in the form of endorsements.
- 224. Endorsement slips in the form of flyers that are meant to be taken from Student Organization Signboards may only be available for distribution during designated leafleting hours.
- 5. Student Organization Signboards that do not comply with Center for Student Programming standards may not be used in the election process in any way.
- 6. The posting of lawn signs is prohibited.
- v. Distribution of Campaign Material
- 1. Campaign participants may campaign on Bruin Walk/Westwood Plaza as long as they do not inhibit the normal flow of traffic. Campaign representatives may not set up a campaigning post on Bruin Walk/Westwood Plaza for the distribution of campaign material.
- 2. Stamping and approval of Campaign Material
- 3. A copy of the approved design of all campaign material and/or a sample of the material itself whichever the Election Board Chair deems necessary must be kept in the Elections Board office. Violations of this provision may result in disqualification.
- 4. All campaign material, with the exception of endorsement slips, shall contain the current Election Board stamp or logo. Any exception to this aforementioned provision shall be approved by the Election Board prior to distribution. The placement of the Election Board stamp or logo must be prominent and conspicuous. The stamp or logo shall be no smaller than 1% of the printed area.
- 5. All nonstampable materials (ie. Shirts, buttons, stickers, etc.) must be ordered through Student Government Accounting (SGA) as outlined in the campaign orientation packet. The Election Board shall approve the campaign material, and electronically add the Election Board logo to it, prior to its submission to Student Government Accounting.
- 6. Stampable material may also be purchased using the aforementioned procedure.
- 7. Candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives and/or registered

student organization representatives shall designate what categories, apply to a given piece of campaign material and what candidates, campaigns, and/or student organizations are held responsible. The Election Board shall approve these designations prior to the distribution of the campaign material.

- 8. Campaign Paraphernalia
- a. The possession and/or wearing of campaign paraphernalia shall not be regulated.
- b. On-campus distribution of campaign paraphernalia to the general campus audience may occur only during campus leafleting hours.
- c. Campaign paraphernalia shall be construed as a category of campaign material that is distinct and mutually exclusive from all other categories of campaign material. Therefore if a specific piece
- d. The placement of the Election Board stamp or logo must be prominent and conspicuous. The stamp or logo shall be no smaller than 1% of the printed area. of campaign material falls under a different category, it shall not be considered to be campaign paraphernalia.
- 239. Leafleting Hours
- a. There will be at least three (3) days designated by the Election Board Chairperson as campus leaflet days.
- b. The specific leafleting hours will be set by the Election Board.
- c. Campaign literature and endorsement slips may only be distributed to the general campus audience during campus leafleting hours at locations provided for in the University Rules and Regulations for literature distribution.
- 3. Campaign Regulations:
- a. Campaign material of any sort shall not be attached to vegetation, any campus building.
- wall, permanent or temporary fixture (including construction walls and fences), and/ or campus event bulletin boards. This shall not be construed to preclude the posting of Residence Hall posters or the posting of campaign literature by the resident on the door of his/her respective room
- b. Organizations involved in endorsement may be sanctioned for publishing or distributing "endorsement slips" and/or having endorsement messages on their student organization signboard before the time designated by the Election Board.
- c. Distributing campaign literature or endorsement slips to vehicles on- campus and posting
- or painting signs on or in vehicles on-campus is prohibited.
- d. The use of adhesive-backed campaign or endorsement material (e.g., bumper stickers) is
- prohibited except for adhesive tags designed to be worn on clothing.
- e. No campaign statements shall be written on UCLA structures.

f. Campaign material may not be left inside any building on campus where to do so would

cause the disruption of the normal flow of traffic.

g. Campaign material may not be distributed in the following areas, in accordance with this

Election Code and University Rules and Regulations:

- i. Within structural or physical confines of buildings. This shall not be construed to preclude the posting of Resident Hall Posters, or the posting of campaign literature by the resident on the door of his/her respective room.
- ii. Within areas reserved for classes, public performances, or organized activities.
- iii. Within any food services or eating areas.
- iv. In vehicular driveways, streets and parking lots.
- v. Within any university living establishment, including but not limited to university owned apartments, Residence halls, etc.
- vi. Within Residence Halls, except as provided in specific regulations governing distribution in Residence Halls.
- 4. Campaigning in Residential Areas

IN ADDITION to the provisions of this Election Code, campaigning in UCLA On Campus

Housing shall be governed by the regulations, definitions, and protocol, outlined in the UCLA On

Campus Housing Student Handbook. Any violation of the UCLA On Campus Housing Student Handbook will also be considered a violation of this Election Code.

- a. The Residence Halls will be defined as all areas governed by the Residential Life Office west of Charles E. Young Drive.
- b. In the UCLA On Campus Housing Handbook, the term
- "campaigning" is defined as any display on the part of any person for the purpose of convincing other people to vote for or against a candidate, initiative, referendum, constitutional amendment or recall.
- c. Posting of campaign material is limited to the following stipulations:
- 24i. Residents may post campaign material on the door of his/her perspective room.
- ii. In order to post campaign materials Designated Campaign Representatives will be allowed ONE of the following:
- a. 14 posters no larger than 22" by 24" or
- b. 47 posters no larger than 11" by 17"
- iii. These posters must be submitted to the Residential Life Central Office. If approved, they will be distributed throughout public areas as seen fit by the Residential Life. All Designated Campaign Representatives will have equal access to posting in the Residence Halls.
- d. There will be NO campaigning on the individual floors including door- to-door campaigning, in person, or with printed material.
- e. Campaigning in the dining facilities is prohibited.
- f. Use of mailboxes is permitted only through the regular U.S. Mail's postage and distribution process. The public address system may not be

used for campaigning of any sort.

- g. All posters must be removed and discarded within 24 hours after the election
- h. Distribution of campaign material of any kind is prohibited with the exception of the posting allowances.
- i. Campaigning on any University owned or managed living facility including but not limited to, University Apartments, Residence Halls, etc.
- 5. Media advertising
- a. Media advertising will be permitted only during campus leafleting days.
- b. Any media advertisement must be itemized in the campaign expense form for the candidate or campaign that it advertises.
- 6. Use of Technological Resources
- a. Websites:
- i. Each candidate and Designated Campaign Representative is allowed space on the USAC computer server to create their own campaign website. Each candidate Designated Campaign Representative will receive an equal amount of space.
- ii. All candidate and Designated Campaign Representatives must give the uniform resource locator (url), to the Election Board, of all websites that are designed to campaign for them or for a group of candidates with whom they associate.
- iii. The use of unofficial websites on UCLA affiliated computer servers for the purpose of campaigning is strictly prohibited.
- iv. Websites shall not be uploaded and accessible to the Association until on-campus campaigning begins.
- b. E-mail:
- i. Any e-mail that contains campaign literature or is an endorsement slip may only be sent to:
- 1. A subscription listserv that the sender is a member of. For the purposes of this code a "subscription listserv" will be defined as a list of emails that were voluntarily collected for the purpose of communication within a specific group. It strictly excludes all listservs that Association members are required to subscribe to in order to receive an official University service (i.e. the Association listserv, or the Office of Residential Life listserv).
- 2. Individuals whom the sender personally knows.
- 25ii. The following information is required to be put at the bottom of each email in bold with font sizing matching the majority of the e-mail: PRINTING OUT AND DISTRIBUTING THIS MATERIAL IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. ALL CAMPAIGN LEAFLETS MUST BE STAMPED AT THE E-BOARD OFFICE, 519 KERCKHOFF. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS GUIDELINE WILL CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF THE ELECTION CODE.
- iii. Any message sent through a networking site including, but not limited to, Facebook or Instagram, Twitter, MySpace is subject to the same regulations as all other email containing campaign literature or endorsement slips.
- iv. All e-mails containing campaign literature or endorsement slips must be sent to

the Election Board email address announced by the Election Chairperson prior to election.

7. Regulations of Campaigning

To hold candidates, slates, and propositions responsible for serious breaches which threaten the

validity of the USAC's commitment to fairness, democracy, and the legal institutions empowered

to protect that democracy, as well as to define and provide equitable remedy for the same. For

this reason, any person, slate, candidate, proponent or opponent of a proposition found to have

committed such violations shall be subject to punishment.

- a. Illegal Use of Campaign Resources
- i. The use of ASUCLA and/or University equipment, and/or telephones (except in a manner available to the general student population) is prohibited.
- ii. Storage of any campaign material in any building on campus (except in a manner available to the general student population, i.e., student lockers) is prohibited. However, transfer of any campaign material through campus buildings is permitted when such material does not display campaign messages. Campaign paraphernalia worn by campaign participants may display campaign messages while being transferred through campus buildings.
- iii. The use of the campus postal system or student government photocopy charge cards for the purpose of campaigning is strictly prohibited
- iv. Funds of the Undergraduate Students Association may only be used in elections for nonpartisan purposes (such as the mechanics of the electoral process). No student government funds may be used for campaigning purposes.
- v. All expenditures of Undergraduate Students Association funds for any aspect of an election must be approved by the USAC.
- vi. Use of Undergraduate Students Association funds for any aspect of an initiative, referendum, recall movement, candidate election, or constitutional amendment election must be used for nonpartisan purposes.
- b. False/ Misleading Information
- i. Willfully violating a lawful order from the Election Board;
- ii. Intentionally falsifying information on any Election Board forms
- iii. Registering similar party names to those already in existence.
- iv. Obstructing an investigation by the Election Board
- v. Exceeding the campaign finance spending limits as defined in ARTICLE IX of this Code.
- vi. Placing any campaign literature on university property within the grounds of a university managed living facility. This shall include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor walls, waste receptacles, trees, public bulletin boards, and any other residential space. This item shall not prohibit the posting of literature inside rooms, including on windows, or on personal bulletin boards, provided in either case that the permission of the affected resident is obtained.

26vii. Engaging in any behavior that may be construed as active campaigning within any university managed facility like dorms, class rooms, libraries etc. owned by

the university. This includes, but is not limited to, pressuring students to vote for a certain candidate, slate, proposition, initiative, or referendum; walking with a personal device that can be used to vote with the intention of asking students to utilize it for the purposes of voting; and disregarding orders or warnings given by a residence hall official, such as a residential assistant, program advisor, or residential director or other authoritative figures

viii. Filing malicious, frivolous, or bad faith charges against any candidate or slates. If another candidate engages a third (3rd

) party to file such charges, both slates shall

be held responsible;

- ix. Using e-mail lists or posting boards to campaign, with spam, which is defined as e-mail that does not meet any of the following conditions:
- 1. The author has a pre-existing relationship with the recipient(s);
- 2. The author has permission from the leadership of the organization;
- 3. The author is a member of the organization.
- x. Falsely claiming a past or current position, title, membership, award, or other affiliation with an individual, group, organization, or slate. When deemed applicable, membership shall be defined as being a member in good standing.
- xi. Claiming an endorsement of an individual, group, or slate without his/her/its consent.
- xii. Willfully placing campaign material in any university building, including classrooms, libraries, and on chalkboards, but excluding the posting of campaign material on public access bulletin boards and kiosks within university buildings. xiii. Failure to turn in campaign finance receipts or providing misleading information on the expense accounts.
- 8. Conduct of Campaign

This sections outlines the protocol surrounding the conduct of candidates/slates during elections.

a. All candidates of a slate shall be considered equally guilty of a campaign rules violation

if one or more of the following occur:

- i. The violation was premeditated amongst slate members.
- ii. Slate members violated a campaign rule, section in this Election Code.
- iii. Members of the slate act together in the violation.
- iv. The Election Board has probable cause to determine that the Slate was associated with the said violation.
- b. A candidate, but not his/her slate, shall be considered guilty of a violation of the campaign rules if the election board determines that the violation was only associated with the candidate solely.
- c. A candidate or slate may deny the action of any individual who violated the campaign rules in favor of some candidate, slate or group by denying said violator is his/her agent within twenty-four (24) hours after the violation has been discovered and reported by the Election Board to the slate chair or candidate. This shall be done either in written form or verbally to the Election Board.
- d. It is the intent of this section to hold a candidate or Slate responsible for violations committed by his/her/their agents if those agents are involved in that general area of the

campaign.

e. If any proponent of these ballot measures is found to have violated the Code, the proposition shall be assessed the corresponding sanction, up to and including the disqualification of the proposition.

279. Polling Stations

- a. Only the Election Board can designate a polling place.
- b. For the purpose of the election code, a "polling station" will be defined as a location, whether stationary or mobile, at which association members may cast their vote.

ARTICLE IX: CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES

- 9.1 Campaign Finance Rules and Regulations
- 1. Enforcement:
- 1. Enforcement of these Bylaws shall be the responsibility of the Election Board. The Finance Committee is the chief administrator of campaign finance restrictions. The public has the right to obtain any candidate's spending information, but the information is not required to be widely disseminated by the Election Board.
- 2. The Election Board has the ability of determining fair market value for any campaign material not accompanied by a receipt. The interpretation of fair market value may be appealed to the Judicial Board.
- 3. Campaign materials that count as part of a candidate's spending, must have been produced, or authorized, by the candidate and/or parties which act in coordination with the candidate.
- 4. Any campaign material advocating, by name, office seeking, or ballot number, more than one candidate, shall have its cost divided equally among all candidates listed on the material. However, if the campaign material advocates for all the candidates in a slate, then it is accounted as a slate expenditure.
- 5. The Election Board shall be responsible for investigating alleged violations of these Code.
- 2. Submission of Expense Account
- a. An expense account form must include a signed statement by the candidate and Designated Campaign Representative attesting to the accuracy of that campaign expense account form.
- b. The expense account will be due on the date designated by the Election Board Chairperson. The candidate and Designated Campaign Representative will be held accountable for all declared and/or undeclared campaign expenses in the campaign expense account forms.
- 3. Auditing of Expense Accounts
- a. The following must be included in the expense account form:
- i. A sample of all material used in the campaign (except sandwich boards and the campaign signboard),
- ii. An original copy of each type of campaign literature,
- iii. A listing of all expenses associated with the campaign (whether or not they are used in a campaign)
- iv. Original receipts for all expenses, including the names and phone numbers of all businesses dealt with.Receipts must include information on what was purchased and the amount spent.

- v. Direct sources citing where the resources (for resources/amounts above 20\$) came from by providing Election Board the Name, monetary amount and affiliation with the source.
- b. Regulations regarding receipts
- i. These receipts must be turned in as generated, no later than two (2) school days from the date of purchase, to the Election Board office.
- 28ii. Purchases made before campaigning are allowable; however, these receipts must be turned in to the Election Board office no later than three (3) calendar days after on-campus campaigning begins.
- iii. Campaign Expense forms must accompany the receipts.
- iv. All receipts must be dated by the merchant from whom the materials were purchased, including services obtained from a professional.
- c. The expense account must be signed by the candidate and Designated Campaign Representative and the signature will be taken as an affirmation on his/her part as to the validity of the expense account form.
- d. Sales tax may be excluded as a campaign expense.
- e. The candidate and Designated Campaign Representative will be responsible for declaring
- in the expense account forms all campaign material that is publicly or privately displayed or distributed, on- or off-campus, by the campaign and the direct sources of the funding.
- f. If candidates and/or designated campaign representatives choose to share materials purchased together, the total cost of the material must be accounted for completely in the set of expense account forms of participating candidates or Designated Campaign Representatives. Each Designated Campaign Representative is responsible for reporting their respective portion. If the total is not completely accounted for, all candidates or campaigns using the material in question are subject to disqualification.
- g. The Election Board Finance committee shall review charges against candidates who allegedly commit violations. If there is a failure to adhere to any of the rules above, the Finance Committee shall report any failures to the Election Board Chairperson. The Finance Committee shall not counsel any candidates.
- h. Incorrect and/or incomplete information may result in disqualification. A candidate (even
- after elected) will always be held accountable for the information declared on the expense account forms. The provision of incorrect and/or incomplete information by an elected and certified candidate may result in the Election Board recommendation to the USAC for a petition to recall to begin circulation.
- i. Failure to adhere to any of the rules above including, but not limited to, misrepresentation
- of funding sources, failure to report direct sources of funding, failure to report expenditures, etc. will result in sanctions, with the potential of disqualification. Failure to turn in expense reports and direct sources is means for immediate disqualification as a candidate. Falsifying their expenditure/sources is means for immediate disqualification. Any funds distributed through a source from an unidentified individual is means for disqualification.
- j. There shall be no additional expenses allowed after the final expense account deadline.
- k. Donated Materials and/or Services

- i. All donated materials and/or professional services, whether sought or offered, related to a campaign, including previously owned material, must be declared at its present fair market value. The fair market value will be computed as follows: The candidate or Designated Campaign Representatives will secure three (3) price estimates (that are available to the general public) of the exact item to be used on the campaign. These three estimates (with the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the companies and/or individuals furnishing these estimates), along with the average price, shall be included in the expense account form submitted to the Election Board. This average price shall be considered the fair market price. Candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives are allowed to accept a discount for materials and/or services rendered; however, the candidates and designated campaign representatives are required to declare the expense at its fair market value.
- 291. The deadline for turning in the Spring Quarter election expense account forms shall be at a time during the voting week which will be determined by the Election Board and approved by USAC. Failure to turn in expense account forms that are complete, accurate, and on time may result in penalties as determined by the Election Board Chairperson.
- m. All expense accounts of every campaign shall be made available to all UCLA students,

staff, and faculty for inspection during normal Election Board office hours with Election Board approval. The Election Board shall publish in the Daily Bruin the total expenses of each campaign before voting ends.

9.2 Spending Limits:

Candidate Spending Limit

- 1. Executive candidates are allowed to spend a fixed monetary amount to be determined by
- the Election Board Chairperson, of which the value will fall within a range of \$800-\$950, on their USAC campaign.
- 2. Non-Executive position candidates are allowed to spend a fixed monetary amount to be determined by the Election Board Chairperson, of which the value will fall between \$650 \$800, on their USAC campaign.
- 9.3 Slate/Political Party Spending
- 1. Definitions:
- a. "Slate spending" is strictly defined as the summation of all the costs incurred for the slate
- to promote all of their candidates, this includes but is not limited to the promotion of all candidates on fliers, posters, posts, advertisements, merchandise, etc
- b. "Slate spending" is strictly defined as the summation of all the costs incurred for the slate to promote an entire slate, this includes but is not limited to the promotion of all candidates on fliers, posters, posts, advertisements, merchandise, etc
- c. Slate spending shall be defined as any transaction of money or exchange of like-kind gifts
- valued at fair-market value made by a party, party signatory, or member of a party, for materials that bear the party name and likeness, not including materials that explicitly support a Non Executive or Executive candidate.

- d. Slates will register their likeness consisting of a font with the Election Board before the completion of the filing period . To be excluded from slate spending, the materials' likeness must be totally dissimilar and evidence of a clear "good faith" attempt to separate election campaigns from any other campaigns must be demonstrated to the Election Board upon request.
- e. Purchased or donated campaign materials that are not distributed during the given academic year shall not be counted toward the slate spending limit.
- f. Throughout the campaigning period, any material distributed that bears the slate branding

shall be counted toward the party spending limit.

- 1. Disclosure of Sources of Funding
- a. Parties must disclose and make available to the Elections Finance Committee all documentation requested regarding direct sources of funding over 20\$, including, but not limited to, membership dues, individual contributions, business donations, Political Action Committees (PAC), lobbies, corporate sponsorships, etc.
- i. The Election Board responsible for the handling of documentation in their capacity as members of the Elections Finance Committee
- 2. Disclosure of Expenditures
- a. Parties must disclose and make available to the Elections Finance Committee all documentation requested regarding expenditures over 20\$, including, but not limited to, expenditures on behalf of individual candidates, and expenditures outside of individual 30campaigns.
- i. The Election Board is responsible for the handling of documentation in their capacity as members of the Elections Finance Committee.
- 4. Expenditure Limitations
- a. Slate spending limitations will vary with each election according to these guidelines:
- i. Each candidate running with the slate allows the slate an additional \$200 which goes to the total expenditure limit for the slate's use in the promotion of their entire pool of candidates in that particular year.
- ii. These funds are not to be applied for the promotion of a single candidate or a fraction of the candidates within the slate.
- iii. Such a limit will be dependent on the number of candidates running with a slate. Regulations regarding this protocol are as follows:
- 1. Given that a slate is running no candidates, their expenditure limit is zero
- 2. Given that a slate runs multiple candidates, their expenditure limit increases by a factor of \$200 with every candidate, with a maximum limit of 2000\$.
- 3. Refer to Article IV, section 4.8, subpoint 4 for further regulations regarding slates and candidates.
- iv. Candidates running independently against slate affiliated opponents are allowed to spend an additional 400\$ on their USAC campaign.
- 5. Sanctions Regarding Campaign Expenditures
- 1. The Election Board Finance Committee shall investigate charges against party signatories

who allegedly commit violations or fail to adhere to any of the rules above. The Finance Committee shall not counsel any party members.

2. Failure to adhere to any of the rules above including, but not limited to, misrepresentation

of funding sources, failure to report direct sources of funding, failure to report expenditures, etc. will result in sanctions, with the potential of disqualification of either the slate in it's entirety or the candidates involved.

ARTICLE X: ELECTION EVENTS

10.1 Endorsements

1. The Election Board will sponsor endorsement hearings for candidate elections for all UCLA

registered student organizations that wish to make endorsements. The Election Board may also, at

their discretion, sponsor endorsement hearings for all other ballot propositions. All endorsements

will be subject to the following stipulations:

- a. All organizations are required to register with the Election Board at most three (3) weeks prior to the Election, at a time to be designated by the Election Board. Any and all groups failing to meet this deadline will not be allowed to post endorsements.
- b. Only the university-recognized representatives (i.e. signatories) of registered student organizations are allowed to register their group with the Election Board to participate in the group endorsement process.
- c. All university-recognized representatives of registered student organizations shall be notified, by an email from the Election Board, concerning the date and time of the Endorsement Orientation Meeting, at which the endorsement procedures and relevant deadlines will be delineated. University-recognized representatives are responsible for any and all communication with Election Board throughout the election process.
- d. All student groups wishing to pose questions at the endorsement hearing must have a representative submit their questions to the endorsement committee chair at least four (4) days prior to the hearing for approval. The approval of the questions rests solely on the Election Board's discretion.
- 31e. Failure to adhere to the rules stated above by student groups shall result in exclusion from

the endorsements process for two following elections.

- f. One or more of these representatives from each group who has applied to endorse must participate in the endorsement hearings in which a candidate and/or campaign that they wish to endorse is being represented in order for their endorsements to be recognized as legitimate by the Election Board.
- g. In order to participate in the endorsement hearings, everyone in attendance must notify election board of their attendance and their respective student groups. This particular process will be determined by the Election Board Chairperson.
- h. Student group participation and the capacity of participation in the endorsement process

are at the discretion of the Election Board.

i. University-recognized representatives and/or substitutes recognized by the Election Board must provide Election Board with a copy of their endorsements and "endorsement slips" for the endorsements to be recognized as legitimate by the Election Board. An appropriate deadline shall be designated by the Election Board that is no earlier than 2

days after the last endorsement hearing. Groups are only allowed to endorse candidates and not slates.

- j. All legitimately recognized group endorsements shall be compiled, and an advertisement
- shall be placed in the Daily Bruin by the Election Board. All other media advertising of registered student organizations' endorsements must be declared on the campaign expense account.
- k. Groups must provide the Election Board with a copy of changes in endorsements and "endorsement slips". Groups failing to do so will no longer be recognized as legitimate.
- l. University-authorized representatives that did not register their groups with the Election Board and participate throughout the endorsement process will not have their groups' endorsement or support published by the Election Board nor will the Election Board authorize the distribution of endorsement slips.
- m. Groups not recognized as legitimate through the endorsement process who endorse or publicly support candidates and/or campaigns will be sanctioned.
- n. Other forums to endorse candidates and/or campaigns must be open to all candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives and an Election Board representative must be present. These forums must be in addition to attending the official endorsement hearings and can only be held by groups that have registered with the Election Board. Any Designated Campaign Representative attending unrecognized endorsement forums shall be sanctioned. The organization holding the endorsement hearing shall also be sanctioned.
- o. Groups planning to hold endorsement forums in addition to the official endorsement hearings must notify the Election Board, in writing, at most two weeks prior to the Election, at a time to be designated by the Election Board. The notice must include the time, place, and format of the endorsement forum.
- p. The expenses incurred in the manufacture and distribution of endorsement slips by officially endorsing groups will not be considered as expenses for the campaign(s) endorsed.
- q. ASUCLA Communications Board media, although not UCLA registered student organizations, may request to participate in the endorsement process but are not required to do so in order to endorse.
- r. UCLA On-Campus Housing Council, although not a registered campus organization, may request to participate in the endorsement process.
- 10.2 Debates
- 321. The Election Board shall sponsor an official debate for all interested Candidates/ Designated

Campaign Representatives prior to the commencement of voting. Designated Campaign Representatives are not required to attend. The Election Board may also, at their discretion,

sponsor (a) debate(s) for all other ballot propositions. The debate is subject to the following

stipulations:

a. Candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives who wish to participate in the debate are required to register with the Election Board at the Campaign Orientation

Meeting where they will also be advised on the rules and layout of the debates.

b. The time and place of the debate will be decided by the Election Board Chairperson in a

public manner.

- c. Format of the debate will include equal time allotments for speaking for candidates of a particular office. Times may differ between offices. Candidates and Designated Campaign Representative will be informed of debate procedures no later than three (3) school days after the Campaign Orientation Meeting. Debate procedures will be posted for public view in the Election Board office.
- d. The Election Board will be responsible for questions administered in the debate. Students

may submit suggestions to the Election Board for consideration by the Election Board. The deadline for submission of the suggestions shall be no more than one (1) week before the debate, at a time to be designated by the Election Board.

- e. Other forums in which a debate between candidates and/or Designated Campaign Representatives may occur must be open to all candidates and/or Designated Campaign Representatives and an Election Board representative must be present. These debates must be in addition to the official debate and can only be held by groups recognized as legitimate by the Election Board. Any candidate and designated campaign representative attending unrecognized debates shall be sanctioned. The organization holding the debate shall also be sanctioned.
- f. Protocol for Audience Behavior During Debates
- i. Audience members are expected to be mindful and respectful of everyone participating in the debates.
- ii. If the Election Board determines that certain members in the audience are hindering the continuation of the debates, Election Board reserves the right to escort them out of the event.
- iii. If the Election Board decides that candidates are bothering other candidates while on stage, they can impose sanctions on the offending candidates.
- iv. If the affiliated slates create a disturbance during the event whether as an entire slate or individual members of the slate, the Election Board reserves the right to dismiss audience members from the event.
- 1. Given the severity of the disturbance, the Election Board reserves the right to impose sanctions on the candidates or slates involved.
- g. Should a disruption occur within the audience as determined by Election Board Members, the Election Board receives the right to cancel or move the location of Debates.
- 10.3 Meet the Candidates
- 1. The Election Board shall host an official "Meet the Candidates" Event for all interested Designated Campaign Representatives no later than two (2) days prior to the commencement

of voting. Designated Campaign Representatives are not required to attend. The Election

may also, at their discretion, include representatives of ballot propositions. The event will vary

in location, date, and time as to be determined by the Election Board for each specific election

season. The Meet the Candidates Event is subject to the following stipulations:

33a. Every student can only question a candidate for a time limit decided by the Election Board and failure to follow the time rule will result in sanctions for the slate/candidates affiliated with the offender.

ARTICLE XI: ADJUDICATION AND AUTHORITY

- 11.1 Powers Reserved for Election Board
- 1. The Election Board Executive Committee shall decide cases and impose the appropriate penalties.
- 2. Penalties for Election Code violations will be set by the Election Board Executive Committee.
- 3. In instances where there is an alleged violation of the University Rules and Regulations, the case may be referred to the appropriate University entity.
- 11.2 Notice to Election Participants: Candidates, Slates, Voters, etc
- 1. The candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives are responsible for the Election Code

rules and regulations.

2. Each candidate and Designated Campaign Representative is also responsible for the actions of all

persons and organizations sponsoring, endorsing, or promoting his/her campaign provided they

are operating as an agent of the campaign.

3. Candidates and Designated Campaign Representatives will be held responsible for all information

contained within this Election Code as well as for all information posted on the Election Board

Bulletin Board during the school days designated by the Election Board Chairperson.

4. Organizations, whether official or unofficial, may also be sanctioned.

11.3 Penalties

1. Violation of the above provisions may result in penalties imposed by the Election Board Chairperson. The penalties may range from suspension of all or part of a campaign to the

campaign's disqualification. The appeals procedure is delineated in Section VI.C of this Election

Code.

2. The Election Board Investigations Committee shall determine whether or not a violation occurs

via social media posts, pictures, messages, etc. Should a violation occur, the following penalties

may apply but are not limited to:

- a. Candidates may post no status in regards to their campaign
- b. No posts shall be published about the candidate either by the candidate themselves, by fellows, or by the slate's official page.
- c. Neither shall the candidate be included in any tags (whether textual posts, pictures, hashtags, etc) for the duration of the sanction.

- 3. Charges of Election Code violations may be made to the Election Board Investigations Committee by the Investigations Subcommittee Director or other individuals.
- 4. The Election Board Investigations Committee with consultation of the Election Board Chair shall

decide the case and impose the appropriate penalties.

5. Upon the charge of any violation of this Election Code, the Election Board shall employ the

following guidelines in order of decreasing importance in determining penalties:

- a. The validity of the charge
- b. The severity and effect of the offense on the election
- c. The intent of the offender and/or his/her campaign staff and the number of times this same violation has been found to be valid
- d. The cooperativeness of the offender and/or his/her campaign staff
- 11.4 Appeals to the Judicial Board
- 341. Election Board decisions may be appealed in writing to the Undergraduate Students Association Judicial Board. Initial petitions for hearing shall be made by 5:00pm the second

official school day following said decision, unless evidence pertinent to the case is made available after this deadline.

- 2. The appeals board will be the Undergraduate Students Association Judicial Board.
- 3. Appeals of decisions made by the Election Board Chairperson and/or the Election Board shall be

made to the Undergraduate Students Association Judicial Board.

4. Appeals of decisions made by the Undergraduate Students Association Judicial Board shall be

made to the USAC.

5. Complaints against the Election Board Chairperson shall be filed with the Undergraduate

Students Association Judicial Board, which shall be responsible for hearing pertinent evidence

and testimony regarding complaints and rendering a decision.

ARTICLE XII - TALLYING OF VOTES

- 12.1 Ballot Tabulation
- 1. The results of the elections shall be released by the Elections Council Chair. The results

shall be posted on the Election Board website and on the bulletin board of Election Board office for public viewing.

- 2. The election results for all elected officials positions as certified by the Election Board shall become effective by their being read into the minutes of the council meeting following their swearing in ceremony by the Judicial Board.
- 3. The election results for all elected official positions may be certified separately from all

propositions.

- 12.2 Instant Runoff System
- 1. The Alternative Vote (AV) shall be used for the election of Executives.

2. In this method of election, a rank one (1) vote is assigned to the candidates to the voter's

first (1st

) preference and so on. A candidate is declared elected when his/her vote total is at least a majority of the valid votes. If a voter's preference is on a candidate with the lowest accrued vote total, and no one has been elected, his/her vote is transferred with full value to the next preferred candidate still in the running.

12.3 Tallying the Alternative Vote

1. Each voter's first (1st

) preference candidate receives one (1) vote.

2. Quota of votes needed to win is

(N)/2 + 1

Where N is the number of valid first (1st

) preference votes.

- 3. If, after all the votes have been transferred, a candidate achieves the quota, s/he is then elected to that office.
- 4. If, after all the votes have been transferred, no candidate achieves the quota, each candidate with the least number of votes is eliminated, and s/he shall be ineligible to receive any additional votes.
- 5. Each vote that belonged to the eliminated candidate(s) transferred to the voter's next preference at full value.
- 6. If this candidate is one who was previously eliminated, Step 5 is repeated.
- 7. If the voter has not listed an additional preference or was unable to do so, his/her new vote is exhausted.
- 8. Steps 3 through 7 are repeated until a candidate achieves quota and is elected.
- 12.4 The Single Transferable Vote
- 351. The Single Transferable Vote (STV) shall be used to elect general representatives to sit

on the council

2. In this method of election, a value of one (1) is assigned to the voter's first (1st)

preference. The quota for election is the smallest number of votes necessary to elect the required number of candidates. A candidate is elected to a seat if all votes have been transferred and s/he has accrued at least a quota of votes. If the voter's current preference is for a candidate who thus receives more than the quota of votes, the surplus value of his/her vote shall be transferred to his/her next eligible preference. If a voter's current preference is for a candidate eliminated or already elected, the current value of the vote shall be transferred to the voter's next eligible preference.

12.5 Tallying The Single Transferable Vote

- 1. Each voter's first (1st
-) preference candidate receives one (1) vote.
- 2. Quota of votes needed to win shall be:

(N/(S+1))+1

Where N is the number of valid first (1st

) preference votes and S is the total number

of seats needed to be filled in the election.

- 3. If, after all the votes have been transferred, a candidate achieves the quota, then
- a. S/he is elected to a seat and is ineligible to receive any additional votes.
- b. His/her votes are transferred to the voter's next preference.
- 4. If, after all the votes have been transferred, no candidate achieves the quota, then
- a. Each candidate with the lowest vote-total is eliminated, and s/he is ineligible to receive any additional votes.
- b. Each voter's vote (which was cast for these candidates) remains at its present value.
- 5. Each vote that belonged to the eliminated or elected candidate(s) is transferred to the voter's next preference at its present value.
- a. If this candidate is one who was previously eliminated or elected, Step 5 is repeated.
- b. If the voter has not listed any additional preference or was unable to do so, his/her ballot is exhausted.
- 6. Steps 3 through 5 repeated until
- a. All of the seats are filled by election; or,
- b. At the end of Step 4, if the number of eligible candidates is equal to or less than the number of unfilled seats, then these candidates are elected.
- 12.6 Tallying of Ballot Propositions

The "Yes" and "No" votes for each proposition shall be counted.

ARTICLE XIII: ELECTION CODE AMENDMENT

13.1 Approval

Amendments to this Election Code shall be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the USAC.

1. Amendments to this Election Code shall be presented to the USAC by the Election Board

Chair with a complete recommendation as to the approval/disapproval of the particular amendment. This shall not be construed to allow the Election Board Chair to withhold any suggested amendments from presentation to the USAC.

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- -Baral states focus on big pictures
- -Rosen says work on a one on one setting
- -Badalich said a lot wont be here next week for nonprofiting networking night.
- -Shagun said the longer we put it off it does affect election code
- -Baral said voting on week 7 on election code would substantially alter ability to run fair and safe election?
- -Shagun says yes
- -Shagun said he can temperature check on the council table and work on it.
- -Kalfayan asks who the voting members of CRC is
- -Baral says, Hourdequin, Rosen, Bach, Wong, Singh and its open to public.
- -Baral asks if there's big picture issues with article 1? Article 2?
- -Sadeghi-Movahed said 2.3 subsection 1.
- -Hourdequin asks if we can get the new document revised after open forum.
- -Rosen wanted to talk about subsection 2.4 and iv and to make temporary rules as necessary and publish them in daily bruin.

- -Shagun said its unsaid rule that election board and chair have complete dominance and if there's something going wrong or rules being broken administers we have to run fair and safe elections to make it clear. Especially after this election I know people are going to find loopholes for everything
- -Sadeghi-Movahed asks what a type of rule would be made
- -Capololo said for twitter its not applicable because that whole phrase takes the whole tweet, so we need to make a change because it affects how people campaign and make social media guide to clarify vagueness.
- -Baral states that he feels uncomfortable with unlimited power for eboard chair because system of checks and balances
- -Shagun states that if a rule is being broken we need it to happen
- -Baral asks what authority and previous e-boards power have
- -Capulolo says that its up to their jurisdiction and make determination. Ultimately the checks and balances that occur
- -Cheryl asks if the word was changed fro clarifying rules rather than temporary rules would it make you feel more comfortable?
- -Baral says that they were doing it during jurisdiction and the election board chair person is allowed to make further clarifications so long as they are essential to administration to fair and impartial election. Not just doing things on the fly but eboard seeing a situation
- -Bach appreciates it and thinks that's fair
- -Baral asks for article 3
- -Kalfayan asks if there's something about less than 20% voter registration is it still passed
- -Shagun said he added that clause and it varies year to year and administration and if someone gets a 19.8%. The constitutional amendment has 10% voter turn out, there's no such language anywhere about initiatives and referendums for USAC constitution.
- -Baral says his understanding regarding referendum specifically fee increase there's a large oversights process at UCOP level. UCOP abetted it and sets it back and once it passes and goes back to UCOP for another approval. That 20% threshold is done by UCOP and because its out of our hands we should leave it out to UCOP.
- -Shagun savs we don't know exact percent.
- -Previously in section 4.3 we eliminated registering with UCLA and just registers with eboard. The second change is 4.9 that the candidate cannot be affiliated with multiple slates because of spending.
- -Contreras said what if a slate supports another slates candidate if they're not running a position
- -Shagun said supporting is fine but all the fliers and candidates support slate
- -Badalich said she loves all of it and not recognizing the slates can be messy. I was really worried about registering with UCLA and can see loopholes but I am in full support of recognizing slates and its practical.
- -Bach asks when we're recognizing slates and what person gets to run, can we include identifying slates on ballot?
- -Shagun says yes we can reconstruct the ballot but its up to council if we should or shouldn't do it, especially because it affects independent candidates.
- -Contreras says since we're moving to recognize slates we should I don't see a problem
- -Quintanilla says I don't agree that you're assuming UCLA students will not be motivated to learn about it

- -Friedman asked if student groups that endorse might give money to candidates
- -Shagun states that cant use money from university for private purposes, and slates are private purposes.
- -Kalfayan said can you trademark a slate
- -Shagun said if the form is there I don't see why not? Its totally possible
- -Wong said she likes the fact they're not registering as RCO then we cant use student groups. I think its great
- -Baral says the question is slates on the ballot
- -Wong says it doesn't matter
- -Kalfayan said in the real world it says democrat or republic
- -Baral says that's in section 5. About slate names being a race can we keep moving forward
- -Kalfayan says we can keep moving forward
- -Shagun says voting starts 9am and the last day has to be 5pm for administrative reasons.
- -Wong asks about write in candidates
- -Capulolo says there's no such thing as write in candidates if they didn't attend the meeting. It could be any name and that's why we make students go to candidate orientation to be considered write in candidates. If they attend meeting they can be on the ballot.
- -Zimmerman says for section 7 its determined in constitution that we wont do special election over summer. Article 7.2.2 and 5.1.3 that talk about dates and times it doesn't hurt to have it clarified.
- -Shagun says that the special election and events and campaign procedures remains election boards authority.
- -Zimmerman says the only other thing we might want to clarify is that it should be at least 2 days of duration. Maybe we should clarify that 2 business days or 48 hours that will be best.
- -Shagun says 48 hours.
- -Baral asks about comments for article 8
- -Sadeghi-Movahed says that all emails containing campaign literature must be sent and the social media guidelines I just want to get insight on why candidates have to put it on everything and in terms of Facebook messaging and whether or not we send everything
- -Shagun says social media posts and groups notify it together and if someone complains that if we do get a complain we can use it
- -Quintanilla asks what is the legal authority you have over social media? Who decided that Facebook has election board
- -Capulolo doesn't have jurisdiction over social media, but it was parameters on how election is run. Everything must be board of stamp but if you don't follow the rules of election that's when you will get some type of punishment. They don't have control of objects they have control of processing it.
- -Badalich says its necessary seeing as social media is the way we communicate as millennial. To think that sign boards are different personally message will be naïve to think. There's a strong readership online and its vital and a little bit more regulation is huge.
- -Rosen says

- -Shagun says his responsibility is not voter turnout. Similarly for putting us out there there's so much we can do. The reason we put that comment out there if you reach out to so many people and if people complain we can see what's in our jurisdiction. If we get complaint that its private message and date and time
- -Baral asks what purpose does this disclaimer hold regulating date and time for Facebook pictures?
- -Shagun says the disclaimer is not safeguard to look at times its to verify the rules
- -Baral doesn't understand the purpose of disclaimer
- -Contreras says he's all about social media regulation is it necessary for the stamp
- -Contreras says if someone made a complaint and didn't have a disclaimer can you regulate that?
- -Shagun says official investigations and disclaimer is adding one step process that there is one central body they can go to if they have problems
- -Shagun says we don't publicize anything how do you expect people to reach out and find you and everyone should find out and get informed that's not happening. Less than 30% and a lot of social media reads fb posts and do I want to get extra authority might as well let candidates do that.
- -Baral says the disclaimer is pointless
- -Shagun says when elections get complains the disclaimers it allows people a place to go
- -Quintanilla says can we make it a shorter disclaimer for twitter
- -Shagun says he is willing to look at it
- -Badalich says it can always be an @eboardtwitter but I see the importance of disclaimer at longer posts on Facebook, pinterest, tinder and tumblr
- -She states the practicality of disclaimer is necessary but we can change it
- -Shagun says we cane make holes in the ground and signboards cant be used to make holes in the ground.
- -Contreras asked about spending accounts
- -Shagun said people should get fees and finances for each campaign expenditures if they want and estimate of voting week. I understand that its hard to predict but you cant make changes to expenditure accounts. The total expenditure will be given to daily bruin.
- -Sadeghi-Movahed asks about political action committee and lobbying because they shouldn't engage in student elections because opens the door for favors. When it is disclosed it allows open about conflicts of interest. I just want interpretation of this
- -Shagun says its directly lifted off of Berkeley and the reason it should be there apart from fact it encourages conversation.
- -Hourdequin said in 9.3 all documentation requested. Does this include bank account numbers and social security numbers?
- -Shagun said no election board would need social security numbers of bank account, its more about receipts.
- -Singh asks for all things above \$20
- -Shagun says we need receipts to keep track of funding
- -Friedman says its best to have flat spending cap for slates
- -Baral says is a slate was running 9 candidates they can spend \$1,800?
- -Shagun says \$850 per candidate.
- -Zimmerman asks about initiative spending
- -Shagun says its jurisdiction of election board depending on initiative

- -Shagun explains about endorsements and generally concerned platforms.
- -Badalich asks if there's any criteria for a good or bad question
- -Shagun says he's heard of endorsement hearings but its up to jurisdiction of election board
- -Lazarovici flinched when saw on the screen and was too much control of speech that doesn't seem warranted
- -Badalich sees the importance of it but possibly consider that if someone proposes it to you and really want 2/3 are they going to appeal
- -Shagun says endorsement chair can rephrase the question so its approvable
- -Friedman says certain times certain candidates gets confronted by large groups and maybe supervise it so that doesn't happen
- -Shagun said we might have speed dating like event
- -Baral says pointed questions are one of the most fun but I understand why its not there
- -Baral asks for further comments on article 10
- -Shagun says you cannot be tagged during the hours of sanction
- -Moreno Haq says if people are constantly tagging it and you're not really able to control it
- -Badalich says you can change your tags if you're tagged it has to be approved
- -Rosen says its not available on twitter or instagram
- -She states twitters not a problem you have to actively retweet it
- -Singh says if we tagged election board just so you can see what we're doing and people will like our page a bit more too
- -Shagun says section 12 is outlining tallying of votes remains the same and article 13 doesn't same
- -Baral moves to refer USAC election code with CRC with provisions discussed tonight. Moreno Haq seconded.
- 12-0-0 the election code will be moved to committee.

C. SWC Discretionary Fund for All Of Us

- -Badalich passes out funding with SWC using \$4,000 and ASUCLA Board of Directors with \$8,000 for facilities, tables, chairs, swag, and honorarium. We need \$5,538 for food which is in supplemental material. The housing association gave \$342.50 and the USAC Discretionary Funds gave \$4,600. I'm asking for \$1,000 additional from discretionary because if its partially funded we'd have to ask a student to front it and then get reimbursed. It would be easier and better for students to ask for an additional \$1,000. Seeing that it's a USAC wide initiative and SWC is spending \$5,000 I come to you humbly asking for money. This isn't the total cost of the campaign thus far.
- -Contreras says he supports this and the initiative.
- -Singh says he's down and its important.
- -Badalich says its 250 meals and some residents have swipes.
- -Bach asks is there anyway that ASRF can pay for something else?
- -Badalich says stipulations go to food and we need this from discretionary because if you approved it for food but not the same can be used for funding. The \$5,000 from discretionary can include food and cannot be used.
- -Bach says can you apply to ASRF and that money can be used for non food and whatever is left for discretionary for food

- -Badalich says we need \$5,538 for food and we didn't spend discretionary yet
- -Bach says if I gave you \$2,000 can you pay for the other stuff and that discretionary money can be spend on food
- -Baral states the issue isn't the amount of money the purpose for which the money can be used and while there is money in general for conference there isn't enough money to cover the food that UCLA has quotes.
- -Badalich says we have plenty money for facilties, tables, chairs, swag, and honorarium. None of that funding from discretionary can go through food that is not enough to discretionary
- -Cheryl asks about the money for res hall
- -Badalich said the catering company wanted one lumpsome
- -Cheryl says this will serve as a receipt but for the actual cost.
- -Badalich says sure but the conference is Sunday if its done in time I'm totally fine with that.
- -Cheryl says she can work with OCHC and the association can pay OCHC their portion so you get one check from Res Hall
- -Baral says 5,538 minus 342.50 and that leaves you with \$590.50.
- -Badalich says she was specific with Deborah and we give it cash or check. We wanted to submit a requisition of invoices with account number
- -Cheryl says the association has own bank account so that check can be given to catering.
- -Baral asks if your discretionary request is now \$595.50.
- -Badalich says yes she accepts that
- -Moreno Haq supports this.
- -Baral wants to be thorough. Baral asks Zimmerman if you can reallocate some ASUCLA BOD money to move things around
- -Zimmerman says we have to follow the rules and recommendations for student funds and look back on BOD guidelines. Unfortunately we cannot. If you also applied for contingency and food and exhausted all of the options.
- -Singh says we'll still have a lot of discretionary left.
- -Cheryl says we can also write the check to ASUCLA to have one check
- -Badalich says she really appreciates it.
- -Contreras moves to allocate \$595.50 from discretionary to AllofUs Conference. Moreno Haq seconds.
- 11-0-1 the council moves to allocates \$595.50 to AllofUs Mental Health Conference

XI. Announcements

-Garcia says February 1st is the first day of black history month the cultural affairs has hip hop appreciation month and significant connection between the 2 considering that hip hop started in black community in south Bronx. The theme is homegrown with film screening of black power mixtape from 7-10pm in Moore 100. On Monday we are having our Monday night and its featuring one of our upcoming artists in hiphop congress and performed yesterday and will next Monday. The cyphering and freestyle in salon from 7-9pm. On the 11th the topic is bringing sexy back, and on the 12th the panel on social consciousness, the 19th from 7-9 we're having the fashion show and shout out to Singh for being one of the models. On 26th we're having explosion and it always sells out.

Africans Men's Collective and Women's collective will be having an event with Relief Thursday the freedom riders movie screening and panel 6pm in DeNeve auditorium.

- -Badalich asks for a Facebook event
- -Garcia said yes the theme is homegrown and put on for your city
- -Kalfayan said tomorrow cec is screening Jupiter Ascending and go watch pretty people for a couple of hours. On Tuesday they're screening interstellar and on Thursday the Theory of Everything. We have an ongoing Coachella raffle
- -Badalich said week 7 is I love my body week, CPR this weekend, BDSM panel next Thursday 7-930 PM and move it on the hill February 17-18, Bruin in the Kitchen hummus, tabouli, and stuffed dates February 20 5-6:30. This is the 5k that will be May 3 the same time as relay for life. All of proceeds go to Chase child life program and go register at bruinrunwalk.com. Pete's coffee will be given out free coffee in court of sciences. Stressless fair week 8, and Sexperts is putting first panel on February 11. On February 17 all through 7th week we're having breast series and it will be talking about the history of the bra and commercialization of breast cancer awareness and the free the nipple movement. There will be an opening Tuesday 6:30-8:30pm. There will be an orgy panel February 26 in Ackerman Viewpoint Lounge. Reslife is having I love me next Thursday during the BDSM panel things in Carnesales Pallisades room with candy buffet, tie-dye, and massages. There's safety in the dark part of campus safety week. We're bringing back rolleraids and roller rink around.
- -Wong says nonprofit networking night is next Tuesday but nonprofit networking night coincides with council meeting and we can only have 4 gone.
- -Baral says my understanding there's two rounds 7-8 and 8-9. What if we did meeting at 8:15 and give council members who wanted to attend from 7-8? Baral says for the moment right now 7pm is next Tuesday meeting and if there's need to change that we can do that when it gets closer.
- -Rosen states the recruitment for bruinview focus group with office of president and I'll forward to that all to you via email and its going to be at the career center. It's a cool way to get involved and give back and it's a great resource.
- -Bach says AAC and EVP are going to push forward for online petition tomorrow and ask to post petition on social media and email it to staff to be the change.
- -Garcia asks if you can send us that link?
- -Bach says yes
- -Moreno Haq says 650 people are going to Freedom Riders and I used to work for special events and protocol and its going to be really successful on Friday at 7pm.
- -Baral says all of us are VIPs and should have received that email and space for students is limited.

XII. Signing of the attendance sheet
The attendance sheet has been passed around

XIII. Adjournment
-Contreras moves to adjourn. Moreno Haq seconds.
12-0-0 the meeting is adjourned at 11:13pm.

XIV Good and Welfare