

Proposed Special Rules for the Fall 2020 Election

Justification: Special rules are being created and proposed due to the current Covid-19 Pandemic and to be in compliance with state and university guidelines regarding safety.

Special Rule #1: Qualifying in Person/Virtually

The term “qualify” can mean electronically or physically submitting forms, (candidate affidavit, a certification of good standing, and other necessary papers) with the Supervisor of Elections.

Code Impacted 700.4 (y)

Special Rule #2: Mandatory Meeting

The Supervisor of Elections will hold a mandatory meeting in person with limited attendance. There also will be an opportunity to attend the meeting over Zoom/Facebook Live. Those unable to attend virtually or in person will be able to submit an excuse in person or virtually

Code Impacted: 714.6

Special Rule #3: Tabulation

Tabulation will be completed virtually. Invitations will be sent to those identified in the original code.

Code Impacted: 716.3

Special Rule #4: Election Announcement

The Supervisor of Elections will announce Election results virtually from the Reitz Union.

Code Impacted: 716.6

Special Rule #5: Proof of Residency

Supervisor of Elections will allow for proof of residency checks to be completed virtually or in person.

Code Impacted: 732.31, 732.3

Special Rule #6: Proof of Residency Statement

The statement a candidate must sign to show proof of physical residence for the district a candidate seeks to represent can be done virtually or in person.

Code Impacted: 732.32

Special Rule #7: Eligibility Waiver

Upon qualifying, each candidate can sign a waiver electronically or in person allowing SG to affirm the eligibility requirement of their office.

Code Impacted: 733.3

Special Rule #8: Early Voting

The Supervisor of Elections will be authorized to implement an early voting period. Completed ballots will be placed in a secured location and counted by a member of the Supreme Court, using the same process as absentee ballots.

Special Rule #9

Upon qualifying, each candidate can sign the statement, : "I understand that failure to comply with any portion of the Student Government Election Code is subject to penalty," electronically or in person.

Code Impacted: 735.3

Any student is welcome to offer comment on the general subject matter