MANDATORY CANDIDATES’ MEETING

Thursday, March 9, 2023 at 8:00 PM PST
Friday, March 10, 2023 at 8:00 AM PST
Welcome to the A.S. & College Councils 2023 Elections!
Agenda

1. **Introductions**
2. **College-Specific Posting Policies**
3. **Logistics (candidate photos, finances, streamlining, etc.)**
4. **Campaign Conduct (conduct rules, grievance process, etc.)**
5. **Questions/comments/concerns**
INTRODUCTIONS
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AS Elections Manager

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Office Hours

○ Winter Quarter calendly
  ■ Calendly on AS website (schedule an appointment)
  ■ By email for any questions

○ Spring Quarter
  ■ To Be Announced (will be posted on AS Elections website)
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COLLEGE SPECIFIC POSTING POLICIES
DO

- Materials must include "Vote on Tritonlink" or some form of that as well as election time period
- Hand-made posters must be no larger than 3 x 5 feet
- All posters MUST be hung using blue painter's tape
- All materials MUST be stamped by the Revelle Res Life Office
- Get all postings/distributions approved by RCC Elections Manager
- Follow RCC Elections Code (RCC Bylaws, Article V, Section 8)
- Include “RCC Elections” in subject line

DON'T

- Destroy/deface others campaigning materials
- Solicit votes in Res Halls
- Violate UCSD posting policies
- Use online (or any) media devices to send unsolicited or unwelcome messages with the intention of soliciting votes
- Post in residential windows
- Campaign within classrooms or labs outside of organization meetings
- Use RCC/AS resources
- Use supplies from Residential Life Poster Room
Muir College

- No approval is necessary for posting in designated border areas.
- Posting is not permitted on doors, columns, lampposts, poles, trees, sidewalks or other locations mentioned in campus policies.
- Do not campaign in the public areas of the Muir Residential Halls and Apartments
- Materials must be removed within 2 business days following the event or program or within 10 business days of posting
- Do not start campaigning earlier than the A.S. designated date and time
- Do not campaign within 50 feet of any polling area
- All accountable to size restrictions:
  - Flyers: 8.5 x 11 inches or smaller
  - Posters: 11 inches x 17 inches
  - Banners: 3 feet x 5 feet
The following guidelines must be followed for physical and virtual campaigning:

- The following actions are **PROHIBITED**
  - Use of the TMC logo for candidate endorsement
  - Posting/campaigning/soliciting in residential areas
  - Campaigning in classrooms during class

- All posters and flyers endorsing candidates **MUST** include:
  - Name of candidate
  - Contact information (e.g., email)
  - Position they are running for
  - Voting Locations/Dates

- TMC Election Manager or AS Election Rep approval is **REQUIRED** for all campaign material.

Further information regarding campaigning requirements can be found on the TMCSC website under “TMCSC ELECTION DOCS” tab
● All campaign materials must be approved by the Warren College Election Manager
● As a result of the current health and safety regulations, we are encouraging all candidates to campaign virtually.
● All campaign materials must include a phrase with the words “Vote on TritonLink April 10th–14th”
● All campaign materials should not include contact information of any Warren Official Organization such as the Warren College Student Council email
● No campaigning in the residential areas
● All eligible candidates will have the opportunity to participate in our Get to Know the Candidates Campaign during Week 1 of Spring Quarter. This includes virtual promotion in the form of a special post on the Warren College Facebook and Instagram accounts AND participation in the Instagram Live Event.
● if you have any questions, please contact z8jiang@ucsd.edu and CC kbrecht@ucsd.edu
Eleanor Roosevelt College

- All materials MUST be APPROVED by the ERC Elections Manager (Erika Zumaya, elections.manager.erc@gmail.com)

- What you NEED to do:
  - All materials must contain a variation of the phrase "Vote on TritonLink" but must always include the words "vote" and "TritonLink"
  - follow rules of the Student Affairs and ResLife Offices & UCSD policy

- What you CANNOT do:
  - use materials, equipment, or any other resources from ERC Offices, including the Student Workroom
  - campaign in a classroom or computer lab
  - post on railings nor inside common living areas of apartments or res hall suites
  - deface or move other candidates’ posting
  - add any information of UCSD departments on posting
  - cannot directly campaign to an individual voter.

- More specific campaigning info will be presented and displayed later, and always refer to the ERC Elections Bylaws
Sixth College

Posting this year is prohibited in NTPLLN Sixth College. However, once all Sixth College candidates are identified they will be invited to submit individual information to run in one issue of Sixth News You Can Use. All campaign materials must be approved by the Sixth Elections Manager and comply with SCSC elections bylaws.
Seventh College

- Candidates may not spend more than $75 on campaign materials
  - if running in a slate, budget is $75 per candidate in the slate
- Campaign materials must make an effort to be sustainable
  - (NO stickers allowed)
  - Campaign materials must be verified by the Seventh College Election Committee
- Must have approval of Election Manager to post materials
- Prior to posting, all materials must be approved and stamped by Seventh College Residence Life Office
- Do not post materials within 50 feet of an official polling place
- Do not deface, remove, or relocate any other candidate’s materials
- No slander or defamation of other candidates, UCSD, ASUCSD, and/or Seventh College
- Full Elections Code in Bylaws on 7CSC website
LOGISTICS
Are you a *proxy*?

Check in with Nicolette at the end of the meeting!
Voting

- **2023 Election Voting:**
  - **Begins:** 10 AM on Monday, April 10th
  - **Ends:** 4 PM on Friday, April 14th

- **Ballot (accessible via TritonLink) - electronically randomized**
AS & College Council Elections Timeline 2023

Official Timeline

- 1/23-1/27 (Week 3): Appointment of Election Committee & Elections Manager
- 02/27 12:00 PM (Week 8): Online Filing Opens (includes Slate Registration)
- 03/09 12:00 PM (Week 9): Online Filing Closes and due online
- 03/09 12:00 PM (Week 9): Proxy Forms Due
- 03/09 12:00 PM (Week 9): Photos Due – details for submission to be provided in the filing form
- 03/09 08:00 PM (Week 9): Mandatory Candidates Meeting on Zoom – PM time zones (you only need to attend one)
- 03/10 08:00 AM (Week 9): Mandatory Candidates Meeting on Zoom – Other time zones (you only need to attend one)
- 04/02 4:00 PM (Week 1): Sunday Before Spring Quarter Instruction Begins: Election Campaigning Begins
- 04/10 10:00 AM (Week 2): Voting period begins
- 04/10 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM: Associated Students Presidential Debate via hybrid
- 04/11 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM: Associated Students Vice Presidential Debate via hybrid
- 04/12 7:00pm to 8:00 PM: Senate Open Forum via hybrid
- 04/14 04:00 PM (Week 2): Voting period ends
- 04/14 (Week 2): Tabulation and certification of results
- 04/14 06:30 PM (Week 2): A.S. Election 2023 Results at Dirty Birds!
Campaigning Regulations

- Campaigning begins on April 2nd at 4:00PM.
  - NOTE: This is the Sunday after Spring Break
  - The posting or utilization of campaigning materials is contingent on:
    - Your campaign materials have been APPROVED by your Elections Manager
      - AS Candidates = Me
      - College Council candidates = Your Respective Elections Manager
  - Until that point in time NO campaigning of ANY kind will be tolerated
Finances

● General Rules for all Spending:
  ○ No ASUCSD funds or resources may be used for or against candidates or slates
  ○ Campaign contributions may not be accepted from any non-UCSD affiliated source (with the exception of immediate family)

● Processing:
  ○ You must submit an itemized Campaign Expense Record, (I will supply the template to all after this meeting), a sample of materials, and receipts to myself (AS candidates) or your college election manager (college council candidates)
    ○ ALL ITEMS used while campaigning must be included in the Campaign Expense Record
  ○ Questions? Come to my office hours, or email me to schedule a different time to meet!
Your first finance report is due at the start of campaigning (April 2nd at 4:00PM)

- Subsequent reports will be due no more than 72 hours apart.
- A final Report shall be submitted no later than 12:00 PM on the last day of the voting period
Spending Limits

- **Individual:**
  - Independent candidates shall not exceed spending $1150 and may not accept more than $1150 in donations

- **Slate:**
  - Slates shall not exceed spending $2300 and may not accept more than $2300 in donations
CAMPAIGN CONDUCT
Campaign Conduct

- All candidates must follow the campaign conduct procedures found in the ASUCSD Election Code and their college election bylaws.

- Candidates will be held responsible for knowing and abiding by the Election Bylaws.

- The ASUCSD Election Code applies to candidates and those acting on behalf of a candidate.

- Feel free to ask myself any questions you may have! (Questions are preferred to Grievances)
Streamlining Rules

- Campaigning begins SUNDAY after SPRING BREAK (April 2nd) at 4:00PM
- All campaign materials MUST include:
  - “VOTE ON TRITONLINK APRIL 10TH - 14TH” (or some variation)
- Follow all University posting policies*

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Streamlining Rules (cont’d)

● There will be NO:

○ “Dorm Storming” or unsolicited campaigning at an on-campus residence
  ■ *Even if you have approval from the RA or HA of that residence*

○ Campaigning in classrooms*, (including chalking on boards)
  ■ *Except during Student Organization meetings*
  ■ Clothing may be worn and Zoom Backgrounds used provided that there is no active campaigning occurring
  ■ *These rules still apply to Zoom-based Classrooms*
Fair Play Rules

● May not willfully deface, move, or remove another campaign’s materials
● May not provide information intended to deceive or mislead voters about the election process
● May not deliberately make false and malicious statements about another campaign
   ○ Pro tip: Just don’t say anything at all!
● May not tamper with the tabulation of votes
● No campaigning within 50 feet of the Official Polling Location*
● May not use any ASUCSD offices, resources, services, etc. to campaign
Violations of the Election Code

● Complaints: Any student may file a complaint if they believe a candidate, slate, or individual acting on a candidate’s behalf has violated the ASUCSD Election Code
 ○ These complaints must be filed within 48 hours of the alleged violation

● Processing: The Election Committee will review the complaint and decide if it is likely that a violation occurred (i.e. if there will be a hearing or not)

● Hearing: If the Election Committee decides to pursue the complaint, it will be heard in a formal Grievance Hearing
Violations of the Election Code (cont’d)

- The Elections Committee will hold grievance hearings as follows:
  - Winter Week 10
  - Spring Week 1 (2 hearings)
  - Spring Week 2 (2 hearings)

- Judicial-Board Appellate Hearing Times
  - To Be Determined (will be posted on AS Elections Website)

- Please file any complaints online at as.ucsd.edu/elections
Sanctions

- If the Elections Committee decides a violation has occurred, possible sanctions include:
  - Digital Publication of Wrongdoing
    - On the ballot
  - Campaign Spending Limit Restriction
    - Reduction in total amount allowed
    - Temporary suspension of spending
  - Proscribed Advertising
    - Restricts certain media for period of time
  - Revocation of Time/Location Privileges
  - Public Apology
  - Disqualification
Appeals

- AS Judicial Board will hear appeals of rulings made by the Elections Committee

- You can appeal Election Committee’s decision by either:
  - 1) Appealing the sanctions set by the Election Committee
  - 2) Appealing the decision of the Election Committee through demonstration that the Election Committee acted inappropriately

- Appeals will not be granted unless evidence to this fact is provided
Social Media Strategies

Presentation Courtesy of the AS Graphic Studio:

https://www.canva.com/design/DAEXoqjOhoU/FFyZ6Hj7M
t-8eIdGB12yA/view?utm_content=DAEXoqjOhoU&utm_ca
cmpaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=pub
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