



# The Code of Elections

of the Student Government Association



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# THE CODE OF ELECTIONS FOR THE SGA, ESTABLISHMENTS, AND STUDENT GROUPS OF EMORY UNIVERSITY

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## AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 3 of the Student Constitution of Emory University, the Student Legislature of the Student Government Association (SGA) hereby establishes this Code of Elections to govern all student elections within the University. This document shall serve as the bylaws of the Board of Elections of the Student Government Association.

The elections of the SGA, each Divisional Council, and the Residence Hall Association (RHA) are most strictly governed by this Code.

## PART I: SCOPE, DEFINITIONS, AND APPENDICES

Each Divisional Council and the RHA shall hold the privilege to enact further regulations when consistent with this Code.

### Definitions

**The Board** shall refer to the Board of Elections of the Student Government Association.

Within this Code, the term “**Divisional Council**” shall include each establishment defined as “Divisional Council” in the SGA Code and the RHA.

The RHA’s Hall Council elections shall be considered “**division-specific**” elections within this Code.

**Election Day** shall refer to all hours when voting occurs.

The **Ballot** shall refer to a university-wide electronic balloting system determined by the Board.

**Election cycle** is defined as the beginning of campaigning to the end of the last election (including either regular or run-off/special elections ) as provided by this Code.

An **Emory ListServ** is defined as any email address ending in “@listserv.cc.emory.edu” or “@listserv.emory.edu.” Candidates must conduct any campaigning through their University-



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provided e-mail address (for example, @emory.edu or @emoryhealthcare.edu).

The **Registration Period** is the period of time between the first candidates' meeting and the deadline for said candidates to register as specified by the Board.

## PART II: THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

### Article 1. Overall Duties, Powers and Composition

There shall exist a Board of Elections of the Student Government Association ("Board"), an agency of the Student Legislature, which shall:

- A. Oversee the election races for the following offices:
  - 1. President of the SGA
  - 2. Executive Vice President of the SGA
  - 3. A Divisional Council's elected positions, as indicated in each respective Appendix.
- B. Supervise the elections and enforce all rules provided within this Code.
- C. Publicize elections.
- D. Provide a means by which all eligible voters can participate in the elections.
- E. Organize a meeting of all candidates or equivalent in which the mandates of this Code must be explained, and all rules and limitations applicable to the placement of campaign material and the conduct of campaign representatives.
- F. Maintain a listing of all registered candidates and the offices for which they are running, available to any student at the offices of the SGA.
- G. Create and approve official ballots, which shall be made as closely as possible to the Order of Precedence.
- H. Provide an electronic method for the submission of challenges concerning an election and make clear that these challenges cannot be anonymous, per the Constitution of the Student Government Association.
- I. Investigate, hear and deliver binding decisions in challenges concerning the elections, subject to appeal to the Constitutional Council.
- J. Approve all candidate materials, as provided by this Code.
- K. Have the power to enact rules and regulations governing the elections overseen by the Board in the execution of the mandates of this Code, provided that such regulations are approved by two-thirds (%) of the Board and are announced publicly, with certified delivery to the SGA President ("President"), SGA Vice President for Communications, SGA Attorney General ("Attorney General"), and the Heads of each governing body. Furthermore, regulations must be made prior to start of each election cycle.
- L. Exercise all powers incident to and necessary for the execution of the above-listed



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responsibilities.

- M. Hold an annual internal audit of the elections code, report annual findings, and make recommendations to the Student Legislature on improving this code as necessary.
- N. Make recommendations to the Student Legislature on improving this Code to better serve the Student Body.
- O. Consist of a Chair, a Vice Chair, the Secretary of the SGA, a Treasurer, no more than three (3) Commissioners for the University, and a Commissioner for each Divisional Council. These individuals shall be known as the "Elections Officers."
  - 1. A simple majority vote of the Board shall be required for any decision of the Board to take effect, except otherwise mentioned herein.
  - 2. A simple majority of the membership of the Board, presided over by the Chair, or the Vice Chair or Treasurer at the request of the Chair or in the event of the inability of the Chair to call and preside over a meeting of the Board, in accordance with the order as established by this Article, shall be required to reach quorum of the Board allowing for the commencement of official meetings of the Board.
  - 3. The Affirmation of Office for all Elections Officers shall be the same as prescribed in the SGA Code.

### **Article 2. General Waiver for Elections Officers**

A nominee for any position on the Board must fulfill the following requirements in order to hold office:

- A. A nominee for a position on the Board must sign a waiver declaring their neutrality in the pending elections and forgoing their right to run in the elections being overseen.
- B. A nominee for a position on the Board must sign a waiver declaring their commitment to abstain from supporting any candidate in any such elections.
- C. Each nominee's waivers shall only be binding if he/she is confirmed appropriately and shall be presented to the Chair and Secretary before beginning his/her term.

### **Article 3. Chair**

The Chair of the Board shall:

#### Section 1. Qualifications and Appointment

- A. Be a student of Emory University and shall have and maintain at least the cumulative grade point average to graduate from the school of enrollment.
- B. Agree to the waiver conditions of Part II, Articles 2(A) and (B) of this Code.
- C. Be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the



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Legislature, for an enrollment-long period.

### Section 2. Responsibilities

- A. Call and preside over all meetings of the Board.
- B. Call and preside over all hearings regarding challenges concerning the results or events of the elections.
- C. Advise the President on the selection of nominees to positions on the Board.
- D. Execute such other duties and responsibilities as determined by the provisions of this Code.

### **Article 4. Vice Chair**

The Vice Chair of the Board shall:

#### Section 1. Qualifications and Appointment

- A. Be a student of Emory University and shall have and maintain at least the cumulative grade point average to graduate from the school of enrollment.
- B. Agree to the waiver conditions of Part II, Articles 2(A) and (B).
- C. Be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature, for an enrollment-long period.

#### Section 2. Responsibilities

- A. Execute the responsibilities and authorities of the Chair at the request of the chair or in the event of the inability of the Chair to do so.
- B. During the vacancy of the office of the Chair, shall act as Chair, until the Student Legislature shall have confirmed a nominee by the president.
- C. Oversee candidate meetings for university-wide positions and maintain their roster and of candidates for each position.
- D. During challenges, shall take minutes along with the Secretary.

### **Article 5. Secretary**

The Secretary of the SGA shall be the Secretary of the Board and shall:

- A. Maintain and publicize the names, school of enrollment, graduation year, email, title of each individual on the Board, in consultation with the SGA VP for Communications.
- B. Maintain the official record of candidate registration, including but not limited to the candidate's first name, last name, full preferred name on the ballot, office for candidacy,



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general biographical information, and other information as decided by the Chair or Attorney General.

- C. Keep track of penalties assessed by the Board and/or Constitutional Council upon candidates and candidates' completion of such penalties.
- D. Be responsible for keeping all other records, decisions, and relevant and official documents for and on behalf of the Board and archiving them appropriately (See SGA Code).
- E. Not, under any condition, vote in the decision-making process of any challenge administered and presided by the Board.
- F. Oversee transition efforts of the Board.

### **Article 6. Treasurer**

The Treasurer of the Board shall:

#### Section 1. Qualifications and Appointment

- A. Be a student of Emory University and shall have and maintain at least the cumulative grade point average to graduate from the school of enrollment.
- B. Agree to the waiver conditions of Part II, Articles 2(A) and (B).
- C. Be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature, for an enrollment-long period.

#### Section 2. Responsibilities

- A. Maintain eligibility to manage the budget and finances of the Board.
- B. Manage the budget and finances of the Board.
- C. Serve as the chief advisor on fiscal and financial matters to the Board and as financial spokesperson on behalf of the Board.
- D. Executive the responsibilities of the Chair at the request of the Chair or in the event of the inability of the Chair or the Vice Chair to do so, until a new Chair or Vice Chair has been selected accordingly.

### **Article 7. Commissioners for the University**

All Commissioners for the University ("University-Wide Commissioners") of the Board shall:

- A. Be a student of Emory University and shall have and maintain at least the cumulative grade point average to graduate from the school of enrollment.



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- B. Agree to the waiver conditions of Part II, Articles 2(A) and (B) of this Code.
- C. Be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature, for the term of two-academic years.
- D. Work under the direction of the Chair.

### **Article 8. Commissioners for each Divisional Council**

The Commissioners for each Divisional Council of the Board shall:

#### Section 1. Qualifications and Appointment

- A. Be a student of Emory University who is within the jurisdiction of each Divisional Council and shall have and maintain at least a cumulative grade point average to graduate from the school of enrollment.
- B. Be chosen in a manner decided by regulations of each Divisional Council.

#### Section 2. Responsibilities

- A. Maintain communications from the Board to the Divisional Council.
- B. Hold election information session for individuals interested in running for office in each respective Appendix and university-wide positions in a location that is most convenient for their constituents.
- C. Coordinate any candidate meet-and-greet or speeches/debates in a location that is most convenient for their constituents on behalf of the Board. All events shall be open to the public. All candidates that are eligible to run in the division shall be eligible to participate in each event. Each Commissioner shall publicize and announce each event and the rules governing such event, at least twenty-four (24) hours beforehand.
- D. Coordinate all division-specific elections, as on behalf of the Board, in accordance with this Code. All decisions are subject to challenge in front of the Board or appeals in front of the Constitutional Council.
- E. Work under the direction of the Chair.

#### Section 3. Divisional Appendices

- A. Each Divisional Commissioner shall be responsible for submitting an appendix two months before the date of any election, using the format included in the addendum to this document. This document shall be approved by the President of each Divisional Council before submission.



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## **Article 9. Advisor of the Elections Board**

The Elections Board Advisor shall be the Undergraduate Student Government Association Staff Advisor.

### Section 1. Responsibilities

- A. Advise the Elections Board in any capacity deemed necessary throughout each academic year.
- B. Meet with Elections Board membership on a semi-regular basis to keep up to date on decisions and procedure within the Elections Board.
- C. Aid in the transfer of documents and responsibilities to newly approved Election Board members.

## **Article 10. Resignation, Impeachment and Vacancies of Officers for the Board**

### Section 1. Resignation

- A. In the case where an officer of the Board shall choose to run in an election being overseen by the Board, or any election taking place simultaneously with an election being overseen by the Board, or in the case of a conflict of interest, the officer must notify the Chair of the Board and immediately resign from membership on the Board. If individuals refuse to resign, then the Secretary shall inform the Chair and petition the Constitutional Council for an opinion regarding the matter. The Constitutional Council may issue an order vacating the office, on the matter of qualification.
- B. An officer may resign for any reason, at any time.

### Section 2. Impeachment

- A. An officer of the Board, once confirmed by the Student Legislature or appointed by the Divisional Council, may be removed by impeachment by the Student Legislature.
- B. Commissioners for Divisional Councils may be recalled by their Divisional Council. However, Divisional Councils may not choose a replacement for the Commissioner during elections.

### Section 3. Vacancies



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- A. In the case where the office of the Chair of the Board shall become vacant, the Vice Chair shall act as Chair until such time as a replacement for the resigned Chair shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Student Legislature.
- B. In the case where the offices of both the Chair and the Vice Chair shall become vacant, the Treasurer act as Chair until such time as a replacement for the resigned Chair shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Student Legislature.
- C. In the case where the offices of the Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer shall become vacant while:
  - a. an election is pending, the Secretary shall inform the President, the Speaker of the Legislature, and Chief Justice, requesting the Chief Justice to decide the matter within seventy-hour (72) hours according to Emergency Appointment proceedings (See Title XI of the SGA Code). The Secretary will act as Chair until the matter is decided.
  - b. an election is not pending, the Secretary shall inform the President and the Speaker of the Legislature, requesting the President to decide the matter within seventy-hour (72) hours according to Emergency Appointment proceedings (See Title XI of the SGA Code). The Secretary will act as Chair until the matter is decided.
- D. The Chair or Secretary shall communicate to the Heads of each Divisional Council the vacancies of its commissioners. Should the Divisional Council fail to fill the vacancy, the Chair shall assign a University-Wide Commissioner to execute that Commissioner's responsibilities until the vacancy shall be filled.

### **PART III: GENERAL ELECTIONS**

#### **Article 1. Divisional Councils, Executive Agencies, and RHA**

- A. Divisional Councils may facilitate elections independent of the Board and this code, but shall not be eligible to use the ballot or the resources of the Board.
- B. Executive Agencies may not facilitate elections independent of the Board and this code.
- C. RHA may facilitate elections independent of the Board and this code, but shall not be eligible to use the ballot or the resources of the Board.
- D. A Divisional Commissioner must notify the Board if they intend to facilitate division-specific elections under the authority and provisions of this Code and Board, and such elections may happen as the Divisional Council shall require it through its Appendix.
- E. Divisional Commissioners for the College Council, Oxford SGA, BBA Council, ESNA, and RHA shall communicate before deciding their respective annual fall election, as



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indicated in each Divisional Council's Appendix. The commissioners should try to make every possible effort to ensure that their annual fall elections have the same Election Day.

### **Article 1. Dates**

- F. The Board shall hold Elections Day various times throughout the year, as the schedule of the SGA or Divisional Councils requires.
- G. There shall be at least one (1) annual Spring Election. The Chair and all Divisional Commissioners shall determine the calendar for Spring Elections. All entities shall elect their respective executive officers during these annual spring elections.
- H. The Board shall have the authority to reschedule Election Day due to technical difficulty, religious or federal holiday, or other date where Emory University or a division thereof shall suspend classes, so long as the election takes place no sooner than forty-eight (48) hours after the original time of the election.

### **Article 2. Ballots**

- A. A digital ballot for elections shall be used for all of SGA's elections and referendums.
- B. The system for this ballot may be decided at the discretion of the Board.
- C. Student Groups may use the ballot upon written request or when required by the SGA Attorney General or the Head of the Divisional Council as specified in Part VIII below.
- D. The order of the names of candidates for each office shall be randomized. If such function is unavailable, the order shall be determined randomly at a public drawing prior to configuring the ballot.
- E. Any and all Joint Candidate tickets must specify that the respective candidates are running together.
- F. The Board shall make a sample ballot available at the offices of the SGA or through the SGA website at least twenty-four (24) hours before the commencement of Election Day.
- G. The ballot shall have a space available for a write-in candidate to be voted for each office only when a student has expressed interest to run as a write-in candidate at least twenty-four (24) hours before the start of the Elections Day.
- H. All ballots shall include an option to vote "no confidence."
- I. In the event that "No Confidence" wins, then the position shall be considered vacant, and rules governing vacancies in each governing body shall apply.
- J. In tabulating the votes cast on Election Day, the following rules shall apply:
  - 1. Partially filled-out ballots shall be counted for the offices that have been filled in.
  - 2. Conflicting votes on a single ballot shall render the vote for candidates of the office for which the conflicting votes are cast null and void.



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3. Incorrect spelling of a write-in candidate's name shall not result in the elimination of the vote, so long as the Board shall be able to adequately determine the identity of the candidate for whom the vote was cast.
  4. All votes for fictional, ineligible, or unregistered write-in candidates shall be discarded.
- K. Upon the conclusion of Election Day and the receipt of the results by the Board, the Board shall vote to give temporary certification of the results, pending appeal, and to authorize the release of the results. The Board shall send an email to the student body of the University with its calculations, denoting the total percentage and number of votes, and shall include a print screen of the automatically calculated tallies by the ballot. Under no condition may the Board withhold the release of tallies for more than twelve (12) hours. If the Board has withheld the release of tallies for more than twelve (12) hours, the Attorney General shall receive control of the Ballot, print the ballot tallies and release it to the Members of the Legislature and the Vice President for Communications, who shall then send it to the student body. The Chair or Secretary may petition the Constitutional Council for an extension but such extension may not exceed six (6) hours; extensions may only be given for reasons of difficulty of tabulating elections results. Challenges may not be considered or heard while election results have not been announced.
- L. The official tabulation of the results shall be typed and posted by the Board at the offices of the SGA, and each shall bear the signature of the Chair of the Board.
- M. The results of the election shall be provided to the Student Legislature of the SGA and shall be read into the minutes of the SGA Legislature.

### **Article 3. Voting**

For annual Spring Elections, voting shall occur over seventy-two (72) continuous hours. Furthermore, for various Fall and Summer division-specific elections, voting shall occur for up to seventy-two (72) hours, as decided by the Divisional Commissioner or Divisional Council in its Appendix. For division-specific elections which overlap, the Division who requests the most time shall set the duration of the voting period. The hours of voting for elections not noted above and run off elections shall be twenty-four (24) hours.

### **Article 4. Eligible Voters**

- A. Pursuant to the Constitution, all individuals who are students at Emory University are eligible to vote for the offices of the President, Executive Vice President, Vice President for Programming, and Representatives-At-Large. All students of Emory University shall be eligible to vote for the offices of the University Senators and the Vice President for the



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SPC. Pursuant to Title III, Article 7(A) of the SGA Code, all graduate or professional students shall be eligible to vote for the office of the Vice President for Graduate Affairs.

- B. Each Divisional Council shall indicate the eligible voters for its offices in its Appendix. The College Council has authority to include Oxford College students in its Spring elections (See Bill 46sl40, "Grant College Council the Authority to Include Incoming Oxford Continuees in its Elections").

### **Article 5. Voting Procedure**

- A. The Board shall ensure that each student votes only once in any election, that all students are able to vote, and that all students have equal opportunity to vote.
- B. The Board shall notify the respective electorate in whole no later than three (3) days prior to Election Day of the impending elections on the rules and procedures of Election Day.

## **PART IV: CANDIDACY**

### **Article 1. Qualifications**

- A. Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2 of the Student Constitution, all candidates for the office of the President and Executive Vice President must be enrolled full-time at Emory University. Such qualifications may only be changed by amending the Student Constitution.
- B. Pursuant to the Article VII, Section 2, Clause 6 of the Student Constitution, the candidates of each Divisional Representative shall be a student enrolled within the division he or she wishes to represent. Such qualifications may only be changed by amending the Student Constitution.
- C. The office of the three (3) University Senators are authorized and formed by the Board of Trustees of Emory University via the University Senate Bylaws. University Senate Bylaws let the SGA determine how its three (3) University Senators will be chosen, given that all individuals for these three (3) University Senate positions are "full-time students in good standing in the division or school from which representation is authorized" (Article II, Section 2 of University Senate Bylaws of Emory University). Once elected only the University Senate may remove these University Senators (See University Senate Bylaws of Emory University, especially Article IV, Section 4). Title XII (B) assigns the Executive Vice President of the SGA the first seat on the University Senate. Title XII (C) of the Code of the SGA makes all full-time Students at Emory University who are in good standing eligible for the other two (2) seats.
- D. Divisional Councils are established by law of the Legislature, see Article IV, Section 3,



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Clause 5 and Article IX, Section 1 of the Student Constitution. Individuals wishing to hold office for each Divisional Council shall be students under each Divisional Council's jurisdiction and shall maintain a cumulative grade point average to graduate from their school of enrollment. Each Divisional Council may set additional qualifications for each office, which shall be stated in its Appendix.

- E. Any individual that is an executive board officer of an Executive Agency (SPC, GSGA, RHA, Media Council, and Club Sports) may not run to be in the Student Legislature, either as a Representative or Divisional Representative, as it would violate Article III of the Student Constitution. Executive Agency officers may run to be a part of the elected offices of the SGA Executive Board or other Divisional Council positions, given they qualify by the respective conditions set throughout this Code and each respective Appendix.
- F. Upon registration, the candidate must provide proof of GPA to the Chair of the Board. The Chair shall certify that the candidate has met the GPA requirement upon approval of the proof provided by the Senior Vice President and Dean for Campus Life or his/her designee.
- G. All candidates must be registered students of Emory University during the term in which they wish to run and must stipulate that they shall be a registered student during his or her entire term.

### **Article 2. Registration**

- A. A candidate for office must register their campaign with the Board.
- B. A candidate shall receive a copy of this Code at the time of his or her registration and shall stipulate that he or she will agree to abide by the dictates of this Code. The act of registration shall also serve as an implicit agreement to abide by this Code.
- C. The Board shall have the authority to determine the date and times of candidate registration.
- D. Each candidate may register a campaign advisor. This individual must be clearly indicated on the registration form submitted by the candidate. Registration of a campaign advisor with the Board permits an advisor to act on behalf of the candidate in accordance with this Code. Registration of a campaign advisor shall serve as an agreement by such an advisor to abide by the dictates of this Code. Candidates and Candidates' Campaigns are ultimately responsible of any acts in violation to this Code by the advisor.

### **Article 3. Types and Rules of Candidacy**

#### Section 1. Independent Candidacy



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- A. Any student eligible may run for an office as an independent candidate.
- B. The following shall be the expenditure limits for each candidate and their campaigns for general elections:
  - 1. Candidates for offices of the President of the SGA, Executive Vice President of the SGA, and Representatives may have expenditures up to \$100.00.
  - 2. Offices for each Divisional Representative and each office within Divisional Councils shall have the authority to decide its expenditure limits. If Divisional Councils shall fail to regulate such expenditures, then the limit shall be \$75.00 for its executive positions and \$50.00 for its legislative positions. Expenditure limits for Divisional Council's elections may not exceed \$100.00 for executive positions or \$75.00 for legislative positions.
- C. Fundraising shall not exceed the same amount of expenditures allowed for each office.
- D. Starting from the 2016-2017 school year, every three (3) years, the Board may decide to adjust the aforementioned items, by no more than a three percent (3%) increase for the cost of living adjustment (COLA).
- E. Any student may request funding up to half the eligible amount of expenditures for any office within two (2) days following the candidates' meeting.
  - 1. Such funding shall be provided from the SGA Contingency account or equivalent, if the office sought is President, Executive Vice President, or Representative; or from each Divisional Council's contingency account or equivalent, if the office sought is a Divisional Representative or other Divisional office.
  - 2. Such funding must be approved by the Board, who must then submit the order to the SGA Vice President for Finance, who will then inform the SGA Business Manager.
  - 3. A demonstration of need, based upon the individual student's capacity to fund their campaign up to half of the limit, shall be required of any student requesting Student Activity Fee (SAF) funding for their campaign. This will be determined on a case-to-case basis.
  - 4. Any student receiving such funding must use all capital raised through fundraising to repay any money granted to the candidate by the Board before they shall be permitted to use any such funds for campaign purposes. Such repayment shall be submitted to the Board and deposited into the respective account, and the candidate shall receive and retain proof of submission and acceptance of repayment at the time of



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submission and acceptance by a member of the Board.

**Section 2. Write-In Candidacy**

- A. Any student eligible to hold any office mentioned in Part II, Article 1(A) of this Code, including in Appendices' of Divisional Councils, shall be permitted to run as a write-in candidate. The student must notify the Board of the decision.
- B. A write-in candidate shall not be permitted to expend or raise funds for campaign purposes.
- C. A write-in candidate may be permitted to participate in election events hosted by the Board and shall be permitted to promote their candidacy throughout the campaign.
- D. If a write-in candidate shall be found guilty in violation of any provision of this Code, then he or she shall be immediately disqualified.

**Section 3. Joint Candidacy**

- A. One candidate running for both President and Executive Vice President of the Student Government may share and collaborate on all aspects of their campaign.
- B. Joint Candidates may have expenditures up to \$100
- C. Fundraising shall not exceed the same amount of expenditures allowed for each office.
- D. The Board may decide to adjust the amount of funding allowed by no more than a three percent (3%) increase for the cost of living adjustment (COLA).
- E. Joint Candidates enjoy the same rights to request funding as enumerated by Article 3 Section 1 Subsection E.

**Section 4. Party Candidacy**

- A. Party candidacy is prohibited in all elections of the SGA and its establishments.
- B. If the candidates involved are not running on a joint ticket as President and Executive Vice President, the following activities shall be considered violations of Section 3(A) of this Article:
  1. A joint expenditure of funds for promotional purposes by candidates.
  2. Use of the same, or virtually the same, campaign slogan or logo as another candidate as may be reasonably determined by the Board.
  3. Promoting any other candidate for a position through any means other than face-to-face verbal communication.
  4. Promoting any other candidate for a position to any person or persons not personally known by the supporting candidate prior to the start of the campaign.



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5. Posting the promotional material of any other candidate on any public or private bulletin boards without that candidate being present at the time of posting. This shall exclude one's own door, however, if on campus.
- C. The following activities shall not be prohibited by Section 3(A) of this Article:
  1. The expenditure of self-generated funds by a Student Group (See SGA Chartering Bylaws for definition) on behalf of multiple candidates to promote that organization's endorsements to its members.
  2. The attendance by one or more candidates at the same event or meeting as another candidate.
  3. Accompanying another candidate during door-to-door campaigning in on-campus residence halls with the permission of the other candidate.
- D. The Board shall have the discretion to proscribe other activities deemed collective or party campaigning in its discretion by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of its membership.

## **PART V: CAMPAIGNING**

### **Article 1. Candidate's Meeting**

- A. A candidates' meeting shall be held before campaigning begins, as set by Article 2 of this Part.
- B. This Code, and the respective Appendix, if applicable, shall be explained during this meeting.
- C. Attendance at a candidates' meeting or divisional equivalent by all candidates, or an authorized proxy, seeking registration with the Board for campaign purposes shall be mandatory.
- D. An individual or individuals desiring to seek an office but unable to attend the candidates' meeting may authorize a proxy to attend on his or her behalf. A candidate must sign an authorization form identifying the proxy and submit such form to the Board by 10:00 p.m. on the night before the day of the candidates' meeting. The proxy may not be a candidate him or herself and may only represent one (1) candidate.
- E. An individual registered to be a candidate for office but unable to attend the candidates' meeting, and who fails to send a proxy on his or her behalf, shall be disqualified from the election. The Board shall have the authority to reinstate the candidate if petitioned within twelve (12) hours of the candidates' meeting. All reinstatements shall be at the discretion of the Board when good cause has been shown and must be decided on by the Board within twenty-four (24) hours after the conclusion of the candidates' meeting, subject to appeal to the Constitutional Council.



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- F. The candidate registration process and deadline shall be clearly stated at this meeting.
- A. At the conclusion of the registration period a list of all candidates shall be publicly announced to the student body.
  - B. A candidate whose name has not been included on this list may petition to be added within 24 hours of the list being announced.
    - 1. This petition shall only be accepted if the board finds an internal error has occurred.

## **Article 2. Campaigns**

Campaigning shall be permitted beginning at 12:01 a.m. ten (10) days prior to Election Day and shall be permitted throughout Election Day (general and run-off/special).

## **Article 3. Rules of Campaigning**

On the date of the election, no candidate, campaign staffer, nor any other individual excluding the Board will be allowed to encourage individuals to vote by standing near or in any way providing eligible students computers on which to vote.

### Section 1. Campaign Rules

- A. Solicitation of Votes
  - 1. All materials used to solicit votes must be approved by the Board, the Chair of the Board, or a designee. The sole basis of disqualification must be violation of this Code. The Board shall not judge the merit or content of any promotion. Approval shall be signified by either the signature of the Chair or his/her designee or via Emory email by the same individuals.
  - 2. Candidates shall be held responsible for all campaigning undertaken in their name.
  - 3. No method of campaigning not expressly authorized by this Code shall be permitted unless approved by the Board.
- B. Expenditure limits are prescribed in Part IV, Article 3, Section 1 of this Code or each Divisional Council's Appendix.
- C. All campaigning on university property must be in compliance with the applicable rules, regulations and guidelines.
- D. All printed campaign materials must bear the signature of the candidate it supports and that of the Chair of the Board. All materials not in compliance with this requirement shall be confiscated and destroyed by the Board. The Board



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shall have the discretion to waive this requirement in favor of one mandating these signatures on only the original copy. Electronic certification shall be sufficient.

- E. Electronic campaign materials must be presented in transcribed form and must be approved in accordance with Section 3(A)(1) of this Part. All non-print messages must adhere to the approved script.
- F. All forms of free social media shall be allowed, subject to approval of the Board as prescribed in Section 3(A) of this Article.
- G. No emails can be sent via Emory ListServ.
- H. Paid advertising shall be permitted using only Emory University controlled media or such other media venues as permitted by the Board through a published list.
- I. No "chalking" shall be permitted by candidates.
- J. No campaigning in class while class is in session is permitted unless this provision is waived by the professor or instructor of the course.
- K. No campaigning in university computer labs or libraries shall be permitted.
- L. No candidate may call students at random to solicit votes.
- M. No campaigning shall be permitted on social media pages or accounts directly funded, managed, or affiliated with the SGA, Executive Agencies, or Divisional Councils (i.e. SGA Facebook Page).
- N. Alcohol may not be used as a campaign promotion.
- O. Candidates shall be responsible for removing all campaign materials within forty-eight (48) hours of the close of the poll (general or run-off, if necessary).
- P. All campaigning shall be subject to university policy, Conduct Code, and Honor Code guidelines and/or restrictions.

### **Section 2.**

- A. Solicitation of Votes

### **Article 4. Filing of Receipts**

- A. A full and itemized account of expenditures, including receipts and donations, both monetary and in-kind, must be filed with the Student Government Association or the Board by 5:00 p.m. on Election Day. Proof of submission and acceptance will be provided to the candidate, and the candidate must retain such proof for his or her records.
- B. The itemized donation report must specify the name of the donor, the amount donated or the fair market value of the property donated, and the last four digits of the student identification number, if a student. In regard to in-kind donations, the Board shall have



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- the discretion to assign its own estimate of the fair market value of a donation.
- C. Failure to file an itemized account shall result in the disqualification of the candidate from the election. Inaccuracies in the account may be cause for violation and sanction by the Board.

## **PART VI: RUNOFF AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS**

### **Article 1. Dates**

Runoff elections, if necessary, shall be held no earlier than forty-eight (48) hours after the official release and certification of the general election day results. All general election day challenges must be settled before continuing onto to a runoff election.

### **Article 2. Campaigning**

- A. Runoffs shall be governed under the Campaign Options as general elections.
- B. If applicable, campaign materials used in the general election may be used in the runoff. New campaign materials must be approved in accordance with Part V, Article 3.
- C. If applicable, expenditures from the previous election shall not be included as expenditures for the runoff election. The additional limit shall be half of that allowed in general election, if applicable.
- D. If applicable, an individual may continue to raise funds for his or her campaign in accordance with the donor limits imposed by Part IV, Article 3, Section 1 of this Code.
- E. If applicable, an individual may request additional funding, based upon a demonstration of need in a manner like that prescribed in Part IV, Article 3, Section 1 of this Code.

### **Article 3. Winning General Elections and Runoff Eligibility**

- A. In this Code, including its appendices, “majority” shall be defined as any unrounded percentage above fifty (50) percent.
- B. In this Code, including its appendices, “plurality” shall be defined as the candidate receiving the most votes.
- C. Any candidate for the offices of President of the Student Government Association, Executive Vice President of the Student Government Association, who receives a majority of the votes shall be elected to said office.
- D. In the case where no candidate receives the required majority of votes, the names of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be placed on the ballot for the runoff election. In the runoff election, the candidate receiving the most votes shall be elected to said office.
- E. If any runoff election shall result in a tie, the sitting Student Legislature of the Student



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Government Association, during the time of election, shall decide the election.

- F. Any candidate for the office of the Legislature who receives a plurality of the votes shall be elected to said office.
- G. If there is a tie among candidates for the last available position as Legislature, then the candidates shall be placed on the ballot for the runoff election. The candidate receiving the most votes in the runoff election shall be elected to said office.
- H. Divisional Councils shall indicate in their Appendix the winning vote requirements and runoff eligibility for each office.

## **PART VII: CHALLENGES AND APPEALS**

### **Article 1. Challenges**

- A. All challenges to conduct before or during the election, in regard to the election and the activities governed by this Code, shall be brought to the Board.
- B. A challenge submitted to the Board may not be anonymous, per the Constitution of the Student Government Association.
- C. All students eligible to vote for an office may issue a challenge in regard to that office.
  - 1. The Board must make clear that challenges cannot be anonymous, per the Constitution of the Student Government Association.
- D. All challenges must be submitted to the Board within forty-eight (48) hours of the polls closing.
- E. All challengers must submit a written complaint setting forth the basis of their challenge within seventy-two (72) hours of the polls closing.
- F. A challenge may be based upon a violation of the Student Constitution of Emory University, Code of the Student Government Association or associated documents, this Code, any University or Divisional Conduct Code or Honor Code, as well as the commission of acts of fraud, violations of this Code by members of the Board, and partiality on the part of members of the Board towards or against one or more candidates.
- G. The Board must refer all cases of fraud to the appropriate administrative officials.
- H. The Board shall have the authority to order a recount of the votes cast.
- I. A challenge against a candidate, campaign advisor, or organization (Student Group or Establishment) shall initiate the following sequence of events:
  - 1. The Board shall decide whether it will hear the challenge or deny a hearing of the challenge by the Board.
  - 2. Challenges may not be reported anonymously, and the Board must make this clear to individual filing the report.
  - 3. If the Board shall vote to deny a hearing, the Board shall take a subsequent vote no later than one (1) week after the initial vote for denial. If the Board shall



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vote again to deny the vote, the Board shall refer the challenge to the Constitutional Council of Emory University, along with an explanation of why the Board decided to deny the hearing. The Constitutional Council shall act as if an appeal has been initiated in accordance with Article 2 of this Part.

4. Upon a vote to allow a hearing, the Board shall notify the challenged party of the charges brought against him or her, as well as the time and location of the hearing. Such notification shall be provided in written form.
5. There shall be at least forty-eight (48) hours between the time a written challenge is issued and the hearing, unless this requirement is waived by the challenged party.
6. If an individual Election Officer challenges the election of a candidate, the member shall serve as a plaintiff and must recuse him or herself from the deliberations and voting on that challenge.
7. If an individual Elections Officer or group of Elections Officers assists a candidate in determining if a violation exists prior to said violation being brought to the Board in the form of a challenge, that Officer or Officers must recuse themselves from deliberations and voting on said challenge.
8. The following rules of procedure shall be in place during a challenge hearing:
  - i. The Chair of the Board shall preside over all challenge hearings unless rescued, in which case the Vice Chair shall preside over the hearing and execute the authorities granted to the Chair in the following provisions.
  - ii. A quorum of the Board must be present at any hearing.
  - iii. If the requirements as stated in H(7)(i) or H(7)(ii) of this Article are not met at the time and date of a scheduled hearing, the hearing must be rescheduled unless the parties agree to continue with the hearing.
  - iv. All hearings shall be public and a transcript of the proceedings must be kept and accessible.
  - v. The Chair shall have the authority to set appropriate limits on the time allocated to debate, providing sufficient time for each party to make its case.
  - vi. The written complaint shall be read at the beginning of every hearing.
  - vii. A party involved may present any and all evidence pertaining to its case. A party may call witnesses to offer relevant testimony. The Chair shall have the authority to terminate the continuance of witness testimony or the presentation of evidence if it is determined that such evidence or testimony is irrelevant, unduly detrimental or burdensome to the efficiency and effectiveness of the hearing.



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- viii. The challenger shall have the opportunity to present his or her case first. The challenged party shall have an opportunity to rebut the challenger's claims with equal time. The Board shall have an opportunity to question both parties. Both parties shall have an opportunity to close their presentations at the conclusion of the questioning by the Board.
  - ix. The Board shall keep detailed records of all testimony and evidence presented at its hearings. These records shall be made available to the Constitutional Council of Emory University if the decision of the Board is appealed.
  - x. A detailed record and transcript or audio recording of the public hearing shall be made available to the public.
9. The Board shall deliberate and vote in a private session when deciding a challenge and determining an adequate penalty. The Chair of the Board must file records of the Board's decisions with the Attorney General, Secretary, and Chief Justice immediately after such decisions are issued.
10. In order to allow for an adequate appeal period, the Board shall work to resolve all challenges two days prior to the last legislative or general body meeting of the SGA or establishment.
- J. If a challenged party is found guilty during the campaign period, the Board shall immediately order the imposition of the following penalties, based upon the gravity of the offense on the following standards:
- 1. Tier One
    - i. This tier shall be reserved for cases that are accidental or minor violations that do not clearly advance a candidate's campaign.
    - ii. The proscribed penalty shall be a written warning.
    - iii. Any further violations shall be treated as a Tier Two offense.
  - 2. Tier Two
    - i. This tier shall be reserved for cases that are relatively minor violations that nevertheless advance a candidate's campaign unfairly.
    - ii. The proscribed penalty shall be a temporary suspension of campaigning for a length of time determined by the board.
    - iii. Any further violations at or below this tier will be considered a Tier Three Offense.
  - 3. Tier Three
    - i. This tier shall be reserved for cases that are clear and intentional violation of the Elections Code that gives a candidate a clear advantage in the campaign
    - ii. The prescribed penalty for this violation shall be removal from the



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ballot.

4. Tier Four
    - i. This tier shall be reserved for cases that are in violation of the Emory Code of Conduct.
    - ii. The prescribed penalty for this violation shall be removal from the ballot and a recommendation to the appropriate conduct/honor procedures.
  5. In extraneous circumstances, the Board may elect to specify a penalty other than the one prescribed by the tiered penalty system.
- K. The Board shall have exclusive jurisdiction to determine the type of violation and its severity in accordance with this Code. The Board must determine a charge within seven (7) days of its decision in the challenge. Community service must be performed within ninety (90) days of the decision of the Board. At least one-third (1/3) of the penalty must be completed within thirty (30) days of the finding of the Board. At least two-thirds (2/3) of the penalty must be completed within sixty (60) days of the finding of the Board. Community service penalties must be completed by that individual upon whom they are imposed.
1. Individuals shall inform the Chair and Secretary as to the status and completion of their service.
  2. In the case where a party shall fail to adhere to these provisions, the case shall be sent to the Student Legislature to be handled. The Student Legislature can refer it to the Governance Committee.
- L. The Board may also issue the following penalties:
1. A candidate, regardless of whether or not he/she wins or loses the elections, found guilty of a violation may be penalized by, including a combination of:
    - i. Temporary suspension of campaign.
    - ii. Being fined a financial amount, which may be paid directly to the SGA Business Manager via check or charged via an online account. The maximum financial penalty shall be \$100 for university-wide executive board positions, and \$50 for legislative and division-specific positions.
    - iii. Disqualification of the candidate from the election.
    - iv. The calling of a new election or runoff.
    - v. Community Service
    - vi. Referral to the appropriate Conduct or Honor Council, or to the Constitutional Council, according to jurisdiction.
  2. A campaign advisor found guilty of a violation may be penalized by imposition of community service in a manner like that sanctioned by Article 1(I). All penalties imposed upon a campaign advisor shall be imposed upon the candidate as well.
  3. A student group or establishment found guilty of a violation may be penalized



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by imposition of community service in like manner as that sanctioned by Article 1(I). Penalties imposed on student groups or establishments may be imposed on candidates if the organization violated this Code at the request of the candidate. The Board may freeze allocated accounts of Student Groups, when deemed appropriate.

- M. In the case where a challenge is brought against the election, the following procedures are mandated:
  - 1. Upon receipt of a written challenge, the Board shall act as a committee of inquiry, researching the issue and taking steps as it deems necessary based upon a preponderance of the evidence.
  - 2. If any election is challenged, the Board shall validate and certify the results after all of the challenges are resolved, and a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours has passed since the election in controversy.
- N. All elections not challenged shall be officially certified within forty-eight (48) hours after the close of the polls. Nonetheless, results pending official certification shall still be released, as prescribed in Part III, Article 2(H).

## **Article 2. Appeals**

- A. Appeals may be made to the Constitutional Council of Emory University against the Board, any member thereof, its procedures, decisions, or in regard to reasonable questions arising from its conduct or that of any of its members. The Board shall choose an individual to defend itself in front of the Constitutional Council.
- B. If the forty-eight (48) hour deadline for challenging violations of this Code to the Board has passed, a party may appeal directly to the Constitutional Council without first being heard by the Board.
- C. A copy of an appeal must be submitted to the Attorney General of the Student Government Association at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the appeal hearing. The Attorney General shall make a written recommendation to the Constitutional Council on the action that should be taken. This right is forfeited if the Attorney General is a candidate for the contested position.
- D. Any student eligible to vote for an office is eligible to appeal a challenge regarding that office.
- E. The Constitutional Council may issue penalties only in accordance with Article 1 of this Part.
- F. No appeals for the SGA President and SGA Executive Vice President shall be considered after the certified winner has taken office; only the Student Legislature may decide matters afterwards for these positions. For all other offices, the Student Legislature (including this Board, its agency) or the Constitutional Council may continue to hear matters; the Student Legislature or the Constitutional Council may



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refer matters to the Elections Board, if appropriate, and to carry out an investigation.

## **PART VII: REFERENDUMS**

### **Article 1. By Resolution/Order of the Student Legislature, Orders of the President, or By law of the SGA**

#### Section 1. Constitutional Amendments and Other Referendums

- A. All amendments to the Student Constitution of Emory University require an approval by the Student Body via referendum.
  1. The Speaker of the Legislature shall forward any resolution, after being relabeled as "Proposition," calling for an amendment to the Student Constitution to the Board. The resolution/proposition shall be authenticated by the Speaker of the Legislature and Clerk of the Legislature.
  2. The President shall forward any petition calling for an amendment to the Student Constitution (See Article X (B) of the Student Constitution).
  3. Only the Therefore Clause (the Resolving Clause) of any resolution or petition for the constitutional amendment shall be voted on by the Student Body.
- B. Some forms of legislation require the passage of a referendum of the student body. If a referendum is required as the result of a passage of any bill by the Legislature of the Student Government Association, the Speaker of the Legislature shall inform the Board serving at that time. The Speaker of the Legislature shall select at least two (2) legislators to draft the referendum, a paper copy of which must be submitted at least two (2) weeks before the referendum shall occur. The draft must be approved by the Governance Committee before put to a vote.
- C. If members of the Board are incapable of serving for any reason, including graduation or departure from Emory University, the Speaker of the Legislature is empowered to select replacement members to serve as temporary members of the Board.

#### Section 2. Voting on the Referendum

- A. A referendum must occur no later than two (2) weeks after the date after the drafts approval by the Speaker of the Legislature.
- B. The Board shall carry on its usual functions to publicize the referendum.



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- C. Two notifications shall be sent by the Board to the student body electorate, two (2) days before the scheduled date of the vote and on the day of the vote prior to the opening of the polls, to remind them of the referendum. These notifications shall contain, among other things, the exact text of the referendum. Voting on the day of the referendum shall occur from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., unless otherwise modified by the Board, but no such modification shall be less than eight (8) hours or greater than seventy-two (72) hours.
- D. The Board shall print out an official copy of the results of the referendum. The Board shall inform the President of the SGA, Attorney General of the SGA, Speaker of the Legislature, Chief Justice of the Constitutional Council, administrators and officials of Emory University, and media of the results of the referendum. If the referendum is an amendment to the Student Constitution and it passes, then the Chair of the Board of Elections or Secretary of the SGA shall inform the President of the University Senate along with the entities and individuals mentioned in this Clause and shall submit a resolution to the University Senate seeking its approval (via a non-University policy binding endorsement) (See Article X of the Student Constitution).
- E. If a referendum fails to garner a majority of affirmative votes, the legislation shall be declared null and void. The Board may hear challenges to the results of the referendum in accordance with Part VII of this Code.

## **Article 2. Established Bodies and Their Referendums**

- A. The constitution of each divisional council serves as the establishment bylaws of each divisional council.
- B. Establishments may decide to have their establishment bylaws be voted upon by the students within their jurisdiction. Such referendum shall also be supervised by this Board, after receiving communication for any respective body. If the Establishment fails to determine the number of votes necessary to consider passage, then any referendum that fails to garner a majority of affirmative votes, the legislation shall be declared null and void.
- C. If members of the Board are incapable of serving for any reason, including graduation or departure from Emory University, the President shall be empowered to select replacement members to serve as temporary members of the Board.

## **PART VIII: STUDENT GROUP ELECTIONS**

- A. From the 2014-2015 school year, the Board shall work to integrate student groups and the establishments of the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic Council onto the



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ballot, giving first priority to entities with larger constituencies. The Board shall make official recommendations to the Student Legislature, the President, and the Attorney General, which should result in amendments to this Code.

- B. The President and Attorney General or the Head of each Divisional Council or Executive Agency, in consultation with the Chair, may require the election of student groups with either large constituencies or history of elections dispute to conduct elections via the ballot. Ballots shall be configured and certified, in accordance to Part III, Articles (2)(B)(C)(F)(G)(I)(J) of this Code. In all other places, Student Groups shall maintain the privilege of deciding its own elections dates, times and proceedings, in accordance to the Student Constitution, laws of the SGA, or its respective rules and regulations of the Divisional Council and/or Executive Agency.
- C. In the event there is no president (or equivalent) of a student group after elections or because the student group's constitution does not provide for appropriate succession, then the power to appoint an acting president (or equivalent), until the student group may come to a decision, shall be vested in the Head of the Divisional Council or Executive Agency and shall be reported to the SGA Attorney General; the SGA Attorney General may set reasonable time limits. If a Student Group that is directly charted by the Student Legislature (e.g., the Outdoors Emory Organization, during the 2013-2014 school year), then that power shall be vested in the SGA Attorney General and shall be reported to the President.
- D. If a Divisional Council or Executive Agency does not have a Head for the same reasons noted in Part VIII (C), then the power to make an emergency appointment shall be vested in the President, in consultation with the Attorney General, until the Divisional Council or Executive Agency has chosen a Head. If, after thirty (30) academic days, the Divisional Council or Executive Agency has not chosen a Head, then the President may appoint the Head, by and with the advice and consent of the Student Legislature.

## **PART IX: INTERPRETATION**

- A. The Board shall have the authority to interpret the meaning of all rules and regulations contained within this Code within the limits of reasonable construction and understanding (e.g., does a potential violation garner an unfair advantage for a particular candidate?).
- B. A member of the Board shall have the right to call for an adjudication regarding any interpretation of the mandates of this Code. Such adjudication shall require the debate of the provision in controversy, a vote of the Board regarding the appropriate interpretation, and the drafting of a majority opinion of the Board as well as any dissenting opinions. All opinions shall be lodged with the Secretary, Attorney General, and the Clerk of the Legislature and presented to the Constitutional Council or Legislature whenever



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requested or appropriate. Adjudication of this kind may be denied by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the total Membership of the Board.

**AMENDMENT**

This Code can only be amended by a majority of vote of quorum in the Student Legislature and approved by the President, unless a veto is overridden with the vote requirement prescribed in the Student Constitution.

**REVISION HISTORY:**

1. Bill 47sl40, "Code of Elections Revisions and Unification Act"
  - a. Approved by Student Legislature on February 10, 2014 by 20-0-3 vote
  - b. Signed by President on February 12, 2014
2. Bill 47sl54, "Changing the Method of Choosing two (2) of the three (3) SGA University Senators to Elections"
  - a. Approved by Student Legislature on March 3, 2014 by 24-0-0 vote
  - b. Signed by President on March 5, 2014
3. Bill 47sl58, "Changing the Constituency of one (1) of the SGA University Senators to Laney Graduate School Students"
  - a. Approved by Student Legislature on March 17, 2014 by a 29-0-0 vote
  - b. Signed by President on March 18, 2014
4. Bill 51sl63, "Bill Calling for No Confidence Option on Ballot Mandate"
5. Bill 51sl64, "Bill Calling for Clarification of Registration Requirements"
6. Bill 52sl37, "Amend the Election Code to allow candidates for SGA president and vice president to run on a joint ticket and share campaign material"



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**ADDENDUM: EXAMPLE DIVISIONAL APPENDIX**

In accordance to the Code of Elections of the SGA, where the Establishment Bylaw of the College Council ("Constitution of the College Council") shall be in conflict with this Appendix, the Constitution of the College Council shall be of no longer force.

**Section 1. Commissioner for the College Council of the Board of Elections**

- A. Part II, Article 8, Section 1(B) of the Code of Election empowers the College Council to determine its method for choosing one (1) Commissioner of the Board of Elections.
- B. The College Council President shall appoint a Commissioner for the College Council of the Board, by and with the advice and consent of the College Council Legislature, who shall meet the conditions prescribed in Part II, Article 8, Section 1(A) of the Code of Election. The Commissioner shall be appointed for an enrollment-long period in the College.
- C. The Commissioner for the College Council will stay in communications with the Commissioner for the Oxford SGA to ensure that students are aware of respective offices below.

**Section 2. Elected Offices, Expenditure Limits, Eligible Candidates, and Eligible Voters for Divisional Council Elections**

College Council will not increase the minimum GPA requirement set by the Student Legislature of Emory University in Part IV, Article 1(E), which is 2.0 GPA.

Office <sup>1</sup>	Time of Election	Expenditure Limit	Eligible Candidates During Time of Election <sup>2</sup>	Eligible Voters	Amount to Win General Elections <sup>3</sup>
SGA College-Wide Representative (2)	Spring	\$100.00	All College Students and Oxford Sophomores intending to continue to College the following fall	All college students and Oxford Sophomores	Plurality
SGA Senior Class Representative (3)	Spring	\$75.00	College Juniors	Juniors	Plurality
SGA Junior Class Representative (2)	Spring	\$75.00	College Sophomores	Sophomores	Plurality
SGA Junior Oxford-Coutinuee Representative (1)	Spring	\$35.00	All Oxford Sophomores intending to continue to College the following fall	All Oxford College Sophomores	Plurality
SGA Sophomore Class Representative (3)	Spring	\$75.00	Freshmen	Freshmen	Plurality



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SGA Freshman Class Representative (3)	Fall	\$75.00	Freshmen	Freshmen	Plurality
College Council President (1)	Spring	\$100.00	All College Students	All College students and Oxford Sophomores	Majority
College Council Vice President (1)	Spring	\$100.00	All College Students	All college students and Oxford Sophomores	Majority
College Council Senior Class Representative (5)	Spring	\$50.00	Juniors	Juniors	Plurality
College Council Junior Class Representative (4)	Spring	\$50.00	Sophomores	Sophomores	Plurality
College Council Oxford Continuee Representative (1)	Spring	\$35.00	All Oxford Sophomores intending to continue to College the following fall	All Oxford College Sophomores	Plurality
College Council Sophomore Class Representative (4)	Spring	\$50.00	Freshmen	Freshmen	Plurality
College Council Freshman Class Representative (4)	Fall	\$50.00	Freshmen	Freshmen	Plurality

1. The number of SGA Divisional Representatives shall add up to exactly the amount appropriated to the College of Arts and Sciences via the SGA Apportionment Bylaw.
2. All eligible candidates must be students within the College of Arts and Sciences (“College”), except for Oxford College Sophomores where indicated, and intend to be enrolled in the College of Arts of Science throughout their terms.
3. In the case where no candidate receives the required majority of votes, for respective offices, the names of the two (2) candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be placed on the ballot for the runoff election. In the runoff election, the candidate receiving the plurality of votes shall be elected to said office.

**Amendments**

Pursuant to Part II of the Code of Election, the College Council is authorized to amend this Code at will but must inform the Attorney General, Secretary and Chair of the Board of Elections before it will take effect.

A bill must be entered into the College Council and shall pass the College Council Legislature by a vote of simple majority ( $\frac{1}{2} + 1$ ) of the Council.



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