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University of Central Florida
Fifty-Fourth Student Body Senate
Internal Bill 54-23

[Updates to Title VI: Aligning Declaration of Candidacy Periods]

WHEREAS, Statutes require constant updates and revision to best serve the Student Body;
WHEREAS, This Bill will align the Declaration of Candidacy period for all candidates;
WHEREAS, All candidates will also have the same election period;
WHEREAS, It is not necessary for presidential tickets to have 5 weeks to campaign and it is harmful for their academics to spend more than a month running for office;
WHEREAS, Declaration of Candidacy being scheduled at the same time for all candidates will simplify the job of the Election Commission; and
WHEREAS, This Bill will go into effect immediately.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, by the Fifty-Fourth Student Senate of the University of Central Florida that Title VI be amended as follows:

Chapter 603 Candidates

603.2 Senate Candidates

- A. A candidate may only declare candidacy for one (1) elected office during each election period.
- B. Candidates must submit a Candidate Application Packet
 1. Candidate Application Packets will become available online and in person in the SG office by 9:00 a.m. on the first **(1st)** school day of the first week of the Spring semester and will be due **by 5:00 p.m. on the last school day of the stated Declaration of Candidacy period** ~~by 5:00 p.m. on the last school day of the fourth week of the Spring semester~~ to the **Supervisor of Elections and Student Government Advisor** ~~SG Office Front Desk~~.
- C. Declaration of Candidacy for Spring elections shall be during the **fourth (4th)** ~~second (2nd)~~ academic week prior to the election and shall take place between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

603.3 Presidential Candidates

- A. A Presidential ticket must file a Petition form with the signatures of one hundred (100) students currently enrolled at the University of Central Florida.
 1. To be considered valid, a signature shall consist of: The typed name and the last eight (8) digits of the student's UCF ISO number.
 2. It shall be the duty of the Election Commission to verify that all submitted UCF ISO numbers correspond appropriately with the listed name on the candidate's petition.
 3. If, upon verification by the Election Commission, a candidate's Petition form is found to contain less than the required number of signatures, the candidate shall have until 5:00 p.m. on the first school

day following the end of Declaration of Candidacy to complete the Petition form. Any Petition form not fully completed by 5:00 p.m. on the first school day following the end of Declaration of Candidacy shall be considered invalid.

- B. Petitions may be obtained from the Student Government Senate Graduate Assistant no earlier than 9:00 a.m. on the first (1st) school day of the Spring semester. The Petition will be turned in at the time of the candidate's declaration of candidacy.
- C. Declaration of Candidacy for Spring elections shall be during the **fourth (4th)** ~~fifth (5th)~~ academic week prior to the election and shall take place between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Chapter 606 Violations

- 606.5 Tier I sanctions could be, but are not limited to:
 - A. Campaign Limitations of up to 1 day
 - B. Electronic Media Limitations of up to 1 day
- 606.6 Tier II sanctions could be, but are not limited to:
 - A. Campaign Limitations of up to 3 days
 - B. Electronic Media Limitations of up to 3 days
- 606.7 Tier III sanctions could be, but are not limited to:
 - A. Campaign Limitations of up to ~~75~~ days
 - B. Electronic Media Limitations of up to ~~75~~ days
- 606.8 Tier IV sanctions could be, but are not limited to:
 - A. Campaign Limitations of up to ~~44~~**10** days
 - B. Electronic Media Limitations of up to ~~44~~**10** days

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