

Amendment concerning Eligibility of a Candidate in a General Election

Delete section V. B. 2. a. and replace with: “Requirements for eligibility of a candidate for any ASCMC elected position are that the candidate be a member of the Corporation of ASCMC, and that he/she be on campus for the duration of his/her term, if elected.”

Amendment concerning Violation of Election and Selection Rules

Add section V. B. 2. h.: If any of the above Election Rules are violated, the election may be considered invalid, may be postponed, or may be subject to other action at the discretion of the Elections Committee.

Add section V. B. 3. d.: If any of the above Selection Rules are violated, the Selection Process may be considered invalid, may be postponed, or may be subject to other action at the discretion of the Elections Committee.

Amendments concerning the change of General Election Procedures to an Instant-Runoff Voting System

Amendment concerning the General Elections Procedure and Runoff Election Procedures

Delete sections V. B. 2. e. v – V. B. 2. f. v., and insert:

- v. At the close of dinner, the polls shall be closed and the votes tallied by at least three (3) members of the ASCMC Elections Committee. These three (3) members must check the count and verify the result of the election.
- vi. Results shall be posted at the Emett Student Center and Story House
- f. Candidate Elections Rules
 - i. All General Elections Procedures apply to Candidate Elections.
 - ii. In the case of a candidate election, each Regular Member may vote in accordance with Instant-Runoff Voting (IRV) procedure on exactly one ballot in each election in which he/she is eligible to vote.
 - iii. The following instructions shall clearly appear on each ballot used for a candidate election, distributed by the Elections Committee.

This election uses the Instant-Runoff Voting System. Please vote by placing a “1” next to the name of your first-choice candidate, and placing the numbers “2”, “3”, “4”, etc. next to each candidate, in order of decreasing preference, with “2” being placed to your second choice candidate, “3” being placed to your third choice, and so on. Write-in votes are valid, provided it is for a student of Claremont McKenna College, who will remain on campus for the duration of the term. You are not required to rank every candidate. No candidate may be ranked more than once, and only consecutive numbers may be used. If any of the above rules are violated, the whole ballot will be considered invalid and will be not be counted in the election.
 - iv. In order to win the election, a candidate must receive a majority, one-half (1/2) plus one (1) vote, to win an election. The Count Process shall be conducted by the Elections Committee as follows:
 - (1) All ballots shall be organized and counted according to first rank votes.
 - (2) If no candidate has a majority of votes, the candidate with the least number of votes shall be eliminated, and each of the eliminated candidate's ballots shall be redistributed among the remaining, non-eliminated candidates by next available choice ranked. If all remaining candidates on a ballot have been eliminated, then that ballot shall be considered an abstention.

In the event of a tie between candidates with the fewest number of votes among first ranked votes, look forwards, and eliminate the candidate with the fewest number of second-rank votes among all ballots. If a tie persists, eliminate the candidate with the fewest number of votes among the third, fourth and subsequent rankings, among all ballots.

After the first round of candidate elimination and vote-redistribution, if there is a tie among candidates with the fewest number of votes, the candidate from among those tied, with the fewest votes in the previous round, is eliminated. If there is still a tie, the candidate with the fewest number of votes in the next most recent round, is eliminated. If a tie persists, repeat these until a candidate is eliminated.

- (3) If a candidate now has an absolute majority of votes, that candidate wins. If not, steps (b) and (c) shall be repeated until a winner has been determined.
- v. If any ballot violates the rules listed in the instructions to appear on each ballot (V. B. 2. f. iii.), it shall be considered invalid, and the whole ballot will not be counted. Any candidate-elect who declines his/her ASCMC office will be considered to have withdrawn from the election process, and the ballots will be recounted according to steps (1)-(3), with the withdrawn candidate eliminated.
- g. Initiative Election Procedures
 - i. In the case of an initiative election, each Regular Member has one vote in each election in which he/she is eligible to vote.
 - ii. The following instructions shall clearly appear on each ballot used for a candidate election, distributed by the elections committee:
Please indicate "yes" or "no" for each initiative. Abstentions on initiatives will count as "no" votes.
 - iii. Initiatives must receive a majority, one-half (1/2) plus one (1) vote, to win an election.
 - (1) Abstentions will not count toward the number of votes needed to reach a majority in that race.
 - (2) In the event that an initiative does not receive a majority, the initiative fails. Abstentions will be counted as "No" votes.

Amendments concerning Absentee Voting Procedure:

From section V. B. 2. g. ii., delete "and no later than midnight PST one (1) day prior to the election day for the Run-off Election."

Delete section V. 2. g. iii., and insert the following:

- iii. A ballot shall be sent to a requestor's Claremont McKenna College e-mail account with a listing of the candidate(s) for each election, a listing of the initiatives in their exact wording, an individualized five (5) digit confirmation code, and the following instructions:
This is your absentee ballot. To use this ballot, reply to this message and keep the original text in your reply because you have an individualized confirmation code. To vote, follow these instructions in your reply e-mail:

For candidate elections, add the following instructions:

This election uses the Instant-Runoff Voting System. Please vote by placing a "1" next to the name of your first-choice candidate, and placing the numbers "2", "3", "4", etc. next to each candidate, in order of decreasing preference, with "2" being placed to your second choice candidate, "3" being placed to your third choice, and so on. Write-in votes are valid, provided it is for a student of Claremont McKenna College, who will remain on campus for the duration of the term. You are not required to rank every candidate. No candidate may be ranked more than once, and only consecutive numbers

may be used. If any of the above rules are violated, the whole ballot will be considered invalid and will not be in the election.

For Initiative Elections add the following instructions:

For all elections, your vote must be received by 5:00 pm PST on the day of the election.

- iv. Balloting and vote tallying procedures shall be identical to the General Election Procedures.