

# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSAL MAY 2017 ELECTIONS

#### ASO CONSTITUTION ARTICLE XI SECTION 1 AMENDMENTS AND REVISION:

"The ASO Constitution may be amended or revised by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the ASO members voting. All proposed amendments and revisions must be made public not less than ten (10) days before the regularly scheduled ASO election"

# The ASO Senate proposes the following changes to the ASO Constitution:

\*Note:

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#### ARTICLE III

NOMINATIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS

#### Section 1: Nominations

- Clause 1: All candidates for office must be nominated by a <u>Ppetition for Nomination form</u> containing the signatures of at least seventy-five (75) ASO members. <u>All petition</u> signatures must be verifiable by valid and current registration & I.D. numbers.
- Clause 2: Petitions must be filed in the office of the College designated Student Activities
  Advisor(s) at the time set by the Election Board or as defined in the Election Code.

  Upon receipt of Petition for Nomination forms, the Student Activities Advisor(s) must ensure the candidate(s) meet(s) all qualifications.
- Clause 3: All candidates for the Executive Branch, Legislative Branch, Judicial Branch, the Coordinator of Elections, and the Election Board must meet all Qualifications for Office by their assumption of the office.
- <u>Clause 4:</u> No student may run for more than one <u>ASO Oo</u>ffice simultaneously.

# Section 3: Common Qualifications for Office:

- Clause 1: Officers Members of the Executive Branch, Legislative Branch, Judicial Branch, the Election Board, and the Coordinator of Elections Student Senate and Student Judicial Review Board must carry nine (9) units of Southwestern College work throughout their term of officer, with the exception of (DSS) students, who shall serve with seven (7) units.
- Clause 2: All <u>ASO Officers</u> members of the Executive Branch, Legislative Branch, and Judicial Branch, the Election Board, and the Coordinator of Elections of the ASO must have a 2.5 cumulative GPA and maintain this GPA throughout their term of office.
- Clause 3: All <u>ASO Officers members</u> of the Executive Branch, <u>Legislative Branch</u>, <u>Judicial Branch</u>, the Election Board, and the <u>Coordinator of Elections</u> Student Senate, and <u>Student Judicial Review Board</u> must also maintain a 2.0 GPA for the fall semester in order to continue being a part of ASO during the spring semester.
- Clause 4: All <u>ASO Officers members</u> of the Executive Branch, <u>Legislative Branch</u>, <u>Judicial Branch</u>, the Election Board, and the Coordinator of Elections, <del>Student Senate and Elections Student Senate and Elections Senate and Elections Senate and Elections Student Senate and Elections Senate and E</del>



Student Judicial Review Board and all candidates for these offices must be in a nonprobationary status (academic or disciplinary) as determined by College Policy.

No student will simultaneously hold an office of or be a member of both the Executive Clause 5: Branch, and the Legislative Branch, Judicial Branch, the Election Board, or the Coordinator of Elections, except in the case of the Executive Vice President who chairs the ASO Senate, and the Vice President for Club Affairs who chairs the Inter-Club

Council.

All ASO Officers members of the Executive Branch, Legislative Branch, Judicial Clause 6: Branch, the Election Board, and the Coordinator of Elections, Student Senate and all candidates for these offices must continue to meet all qualifications, else the office must be declared vacant.

# **ARTICLE VI** JUDICIAL BRANCH

## Section 2: Board Membership

Clause 1: All members of the Board must be ASO members who meet all other qualifications for holding office as dictated by the ASO constitution.

Clause 3: No member of the Student Judicial Review Board shall be: a member of the Executive Branch; a member of the Legislative Branch; except for Tthe Senate Parliamentarian who shall be a non-voting/advisory member of the Board whose concurrent membership is hereby authorized.

### ADDITIONALLY REVISE ALL INSTANCES OF:

Qualifications: Clause 1:

A. See Article III, Section 3. 2.

## The proposed changes will do the following:

- Ensure that all Branches of the ASO are held to the same requirements
- Reinforces the nomination for office process;
- Rearranges the nominations section into clauses for better reference;

□ Yes

Correctly reflect the section in all references throughout the ASO Constitution;

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| Shall ASO Constitution Article III Nominations and Qualifications, and Article | VI Judicial |
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| Branch, be amended to provide for the presented changes?                       |             |
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□ No