The Graduate Student Assembly
The University of Texas at Austin

Resolution: G.B 14 (F) 8

Approval of Changes to the Election Code of the Graduate Student Assembly

Summary: A bill approving the changes to the Election Code of the Graduate Student Assembly

1 WHEREAS The Committee on Constitutional Clarity and Reform was tasked with correcting the governing documents of the Graduate Student Assembly to make them consistent and enforceable; and,

2 WHEREAS The Election Code was not consistent with other governing documents and needed to be rewritten to facilitate the efficient operation of the Graduate Student Assembly; and,

3 WHEREAS The Constitutional Reform Committee has dutifully reviewed and updated the Election Code to meet the above stated goals; then,

4 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT That Title III Ch3.02 be deleted; and,

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That Title III Ch3.05 read "A list of all candidates for office will be made available online, by the Graduate Student Assembly, after filing has closed."; and,

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That Title III Ch4A.01 refer to the spending limit of Executive Alliances instead of Presidential and Vice-Presidential Candidates.; and,

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That Title III Ch5.02 text "in accordance with the GSA constitution" be struck; and,

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That Title III Ch5.03 read "Each Executive alliance will be given fifteen (15) minutes to speak with ten (10) minutes for questions."; and,
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That Title III reflect the casting of one (1) vote for an executive alliance.; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That a section to be titled Title III Ch 6A.01 read "Candidates may appeal the decision of the Election Supervisory Board upon the receipt of new evidence, bias, or lack of due process. Appeals will be heard by the GSA Election Oversight Board."; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That Title III Ch3.18 be deleted.; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That Title III Ch4A.03 read "Candidates who spend 20% or more over their designated spending limit shall be disqualified, unless extenuating circumstances can be documented."; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That Title III Chs 4B.10 & 11 use the more inclusive term "members of the University community" where appropriate.; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That the Title III of the Election Code refer to the "Election Supervisory Board" in place of the "Election/Oversight Board" throughout the document where appropriate.; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That Title III Ch4B.12 be deleted.; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That the phrase "On Election days" be struck from Title III Ch5.07.; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT That the Title III of the Election Code refer to the "GSA Election Oversight Board" in place of the "GSA Election Appeals Board" throughout the document where appropriate.; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT All articles and section of the Election Code be renumbered consistent with the changes made in this bill; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT This legislation be filed with the Office of the Dean of Students; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The relevant departments across the University of Texas at Austin be notified of these changes.