

# SGA Election Packet 2017 (Class Council)

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## **Please Circle a Class and the Position You Seek Nomination**

2018

2019

2020

### **Positions:**

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

**\*Signatures do not have to be members of respective class\***

# **THE ELECTION CODE OF THE HOOD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

All elections must take place under the supervision of the Hood College Student Government Association (HCSGA) Elections Committee. The HCSGA Elections Committee shall have the authority to specify or change dates regarding the nomination through voting periods, with the provision that the dates must be publicized in a clear and concise form for the entire community.

The HCSGA Elections Committee shall have the authority to waive all exceptions to the rules or requirements regarding elections. All challenges for exceptions to the rules or requirements must be filed before the nominating and election petitioning process ends.

All candidates will adhere to **THE HONOR CODE:**

“Enrollment in Hood College is dependent upon a student’s willingness to act with honor and to promote and encourage appropriate behavior in others.”

## **General Practices and Procedures**

1. No student may hold office without being in good academic and judicial standing.
2. No student may hold more than one (1) office within a club, organization, or committee.
3. No student may hold more than one (1) office of the Chairperson positions delineated by the HCSGA Constitution.

## **New Elections and Ballot Recounts**

1. In the event of a tie vote between two (2) candidates, a new election shall be held within four (4) days after the original election. No further campaigning shall take place. The Elections Committee shall govern election times and locations.
2. If there is any breach of the election rules and regulations by candidates or students, a new election may be considered to take place.
3. A candidate may request a recount if there is less than a five (5%) percent difference in vote totals.
4. The HCSGA Elections Committee will contact candidates if there is a five (5%) percent difference or less of the vote totals.

### **Campaigning**

1. Campaigning may NOT be conducted through any Hood College email list serve.
2. Disclaimer if candidate decides to make a social media group: "On behalf of Hood College, all election materials are representative of the individual candidates and do not express the views and opinions of the current Student Government Association and its officer team. The 2014-2015 SGA and Hood College administration should not be held accountable."

### **Voting Regulations**

1. All undergraduate students are eligible to vote. *Current seniors may only vote for HCSGA Executive Board and Senators-At-Large candidates.*
2. The voting booth will be regulated by the Elections Committee and seniors currently part of the SGA and those seniors who are asked and approved by the Elections Committee.
3. Voters must sign in on a sheet when they vote in order to validate the number of ballots received and to ensure that no one votes more than once.

### **Write-in Regulations**

1. Any write-in candidate's name must be written and designated on the ballot in order for a vote to be cast in the candidate's favor.
2. Any write-in candidate must meet all requirements of the position for which s/he is being elected and must be in good academic and judicial standing in order to obtain that position.
3. **A write-in candidate must receive a plurality of the votes.**

### **Voting Times and Locations**

Voting will occur on April 24 through April 28. The voting times will be accessible at all times through *electionbuddy* and will end at noon on the 28.

### **Requirements for Offices**

Requirements for President of HCSGA:

1. At least 50 signatures of support from the student body
2. One full year served on the Executive Council

Requirements for HCSGA Executive Council Positions:

1. At least 25 signatures of support from the student body

2. At least one year on Senate or Executive

### **Tabulation of Ballots and Notification Results**

1. The HCSGA Elections Committee shall tabulate ballots through the election buddy system.
2. The candidate with the plurality of votes wins.
3. **A write-in candidate must represent at least ten percent of the votes cast.**
4. Any student who violates the Election Code shall be removed from the ballot.
5. Each candidate shall be notified by phone before results are released to the student body.
6. The president of the College, the president of the HCSGA, the director of student life, and the associate dean of students shall receive a copy of the election results prior to their release to the student body.
7. All campaign materials must be removed within 24 hours after the last voting day.
8. All newly elected exec, senate, and class positions shall begin their term after their last respective organization meeting of the year. Officers elected in the fall shall be sworn at the first meeting in their respective organization after results are announced.

**\*All packets due to Student Life April 21 by 5 p.m.\***

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