

Elections Process 2010

ALL applications MUST be complete to be a verified candidate in the election. This year there will be no “nominations from the floor”. ALL candidates must be approved by campus administration and certified by the campus Director of Admissions/Registrar.

Applications are accepted at State Conference Registration. Applications MUST be complete to be a verified candidate for election.

When candidates register they will also need to be prepared to register ANY **Social Networking** and websites they plan to use for campaigning purposes. They will be asked to sign the campaign agreement form (agreeing to be fair and ethical in campaign practices and behavior). Candidates are allowed to use social networking as part of their campaign, but only on approved, registered sites, and all interactions need to be ethical and professional. Any violations will be forwarded to the Jurisprudence Chair for action.

The first Candidate Meeting will take place at 10 PM on Friday, February 12, 2010.

- At this meeting the candidates need to be dressed for a photo and video shoot (to be used at the Candidate Convention on Saturday—Business Attire is encouraged). They will have 1.5 minutes to introduce themselves to the state (this is about 150 written words). To ensure that the process is not lengthy, please be prepared!
- Receipts for campaign materials need to be turned in to the Elections Chair. The only deviation to the constitutionally outlined campaign rules is that each candidate may spend up to \$200 on materials for campaigning at the state conference, **and** another \$200 for materials at the April Conference.

Candidate Convention on Saturday, February 13, 2010

The Candidate Convention will be a big rally to introduce the verified candidates to date (applications are still accepted until February 19th). At this time the videotaped introductions will be shown and candidates will come to the stage. Candidates are encouraged to put any campaign materials they have on the tables and on the walls.

After the State Conference

Candidates are also allowed to make scheduled visits to other campuses. Please be sure to contact the campus Student Government Association President and Advisor PRIOR to visiting a campus, and also inform the Elections Chair and the State Advisor that you have been approved to visit another campus (forwarded e-mails are accepted).

Closing Banquet

You will be announced again at the close of the banquet, and asked to stand (or come to the stage). Immediately following the closing banquet we will have another Candidate Meeting to gather any new receipts you may have accrued since the first meeting and to go over any questions.