

AP 5410 Associated Students of Gavilan College (ASGC) Body (ASB) Elections

Reference:

Education Code Section 76061

The Associate Students shall conduct annual elections to elect officers.

Any student elected as an officer in the Associated Students of Gavilan College (ASGC) Body (ASB) shall meet the requirements in BP 5410.

The ASGC Associated Student Body shall conduct annual elections to elect officers.

Any student elected as an officer in the ASGC Associated Student Body shall meet the requirements established by the Board approved ASGC ASB Constitution and By-laws.

Elections and Appointments

Section 1: Elections shall be held in accordance with specific provision of the by-laws or this constitution.

Section 2: Appointments shall be filled in accordance with the specific provisions of the by-laws.

Approved by the general student body election, April 1995

• Elections

1. An election committee shall be chaired by the ASGC ASB Vice President of Coordinated Services or his/her designee with senate approval.
2. Elections shall be held during the last two (2) academic weeks of April, except special elections.
3. Elections shall be made available to both day and evening students.
4. Petitions for office, excluding the student trustee, must be signed by one hundred fifty (150) currently registered students and candidate's qualifications (five [5] units minimum and 2.0 GPA) must be certified by the registrar's office.
5. The candidates for student trustee must obtain ten (10) percent of the total fall enrollment of the most recent fall semester in accordance with the California Education Code which does not allow write in candidates for this position.
6. All petitions for office must be received at least ten (10) business days prior to first day of balloting.
7. Members of the election committee, the senate, employees of the Gavilan College District and members of the Board of Trustees shall refrain from endorsing any candidate or campaigning in student elections.
8. No campaigning, posters, advertising, or speeches will be allowed within one hundred (100) feet of the polling place during elections or in the ASGC ASB office at anytime.
9. An election forum or other means of announcing candidates and their views may be held at least five (5) election days prior to the election to allow each candidate to express his/her views and opinions to the college community.
10. All student voters will identify themselves to a representative of the election committee in order to vote.
11. Voting location is to be determined by the election committee.
12. The ballots shall not be removed from the ballot box until the elections are completed.
13. No candidate may serve as an election official or be present when ballots are counted.

14. All defaced ballots will be voided.
15. Each candidate may designate an aide to monitor the ballot counting. This aide may not be a member of the election committee or help operate the elections.
16. Candidates must receive a majority of the votes cast in order to win. If no candidate receives a majority, the two students receiving the highest number of votes shall run in a run-off election.
17. An election may be protested by any student if a violation of the election procedures occurs. Protests are to be submitted to the senate within five (5) in-session school days of the alleged violation. The senate will determine the outcome.
18. Write-in candidates will only be considered official candidates for a run off election if they receive at least 25% of the total votes cast in the election.
19. All candidates who have followed established procedure for elections per these by-laws may place a fact sheet and photo at voting location.

Article 6, Elections, By-laws of the Associated Student Body of Gavilan College, Revised and Approved May 1997

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