

## **Resolution on Changes to the Internal Election & Selection Procedures Handbook**

WHEREAS, in the 2020-2021 Academic Year, the Elections Commission, with the advice and consent of the Organization and Governance Committee, created the Internal Election & Selection Handbook to compile the various election procedures across the SGA, SSC, and PC Bylaws;

WHEREAS, the Elections Commission & the SGA and SSC bodies reviews the Internal Election & Selection Procedures Handbook at least once every two years<sup>1</sup>;

WHEREAS, the Handbook, and any subsequent changes made herein, is approved each year, prior to All-University Elections, via majority vote of the SGA, if changes pertain to Executive Committee elections, or of the SSC, if changes pertain to Senator at-Large selection<sup>2</sup>; and

WHEREAS, the Elections Commission and the Organization & Governance Committee have concurred in that the Internal Election & Selection Procedures Handbook amended as of May 6th, 2021 requires changes to reflect a desire to make internal election and selection procedures more efficient and consistent;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the SSC approve changes to be made to the Senator at-Large selection procedures (as listed in Appendix B);

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the SGA approve changes to be made to the Executive Committee election procedures (as listed in Appendix B);

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that changes made to Sections 1 and 2 of the Handbook (“Maintenance of this Document” and “Executive Committee Election Procedures”, respectively) go into effect immediately; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that changes made to Section 3 of the Handbook (“Senator at-Large Selection Procedures), to the extent feasible as determined by the 2021-22 Elections Commissioner, go into effect immediately.

*As proposed by the 2021-2022 SGA Elections Commission and the 2021-2022 SGA Organization and Governance Committee.*

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<sup>1</sup> SGA Internal Election & Selection Procedures Handbook

<sup>2</sup> SGA Internal Election & Selection Procedures Handbook

## **Appendix A**

[Current Internal Election & Selection Procedures Handbook \(Amended May 6th, 2021\)](#)

## Appendix B

### NYU Student Government Assembly Internal Election & Selection Procedures Handbook

#### **Proposed Amended Version (March 3, 2022)**

1. Maintenance of this Document
  - a. This document, and any subsequent changes made herein, shall be approved each year, prior to All-University Elections, via majority vote:
    - i. of the Student Government Assembly, if changes pertain to Executive Committee elections, or
    - ii. of the Student Senators Council, if changes pertain to Senator at-Large selection.
  - b. If changes to this document are not approved by the relevant body (or bodies), the previous version shall stand.
  - c. The Elections Commission, SGA, and SSC bodies as well as the Organization and Governance Committee shall review this document at least once every two years. If no changes are proposed, the current version shall not require reapproval.
    - i. Any changes made within the 15 days prior to the All-University Elections cycle for that Academic Year shall not go into effect until the end of that Academic Year's All-University Elections cycle.
2. Executive Committee Election Procedures
  - a. Administration
    - i. The whole Elections Commission shall be responsible for the administration of Executive Committee elections.
    - ii. An outgoing Chair not seeking reelection may opt to aid in the administration of Executive Committee elections in equal partnership with the Elections Commissioner.
  - b. Candidates
    - i. After this section is approved by the Student Government Assembly (if changes are proposed), the Elections Commission shall prepare a list of eligible candidates for Student Government Assembly Chair, pursuant to the eligibility laid out in SGA Bylaws V(K)1.
    - ii. At the conclusion of All-University Elections and the Senator at-Large selection process in the Spring semester, the Elections Commission shall prepare a list of candidates for Student Senators Council Vice-Chair, Presidents Council Vice-Chair, and Global Vice-Chair, pursuant to the eligibility laid out in SGA Bylaws V(K)1.
    - iii. Candidates may run for as many positions as they are eligible for.
  - c. Timeline

- i. All meetings for Executive Committee elections shall take place after the conclusion of All-University Elections and the Senator at-Large selection process during the spring semester of the same Academic Year
  1. The Student Government Assembly Chair shall be elected on a timeline pursuant to SGA Bylaws V(K)2.
  2. The Student Senators Council Vice-Chair shall be elected at an SSC meeting at least one week after the election of the Student Government Assembly Chair.
  3. The Presidents Council Vice-Chair shall be elected at a PC meeting at least one week after the election of the Student Government Assembly Chair.
  4. The Global Student Council Vice-Chair shall be elected at a Student Government Assembly meeting at least one week after the election of the SGA chair.
- ii. Effort shall be made to accommodate for religious holidays and observances throughout the election process.
- iii. Notice of Eligibility, Nominations, and Reports
  1. Those eligible to run for a position shall be notified of their eligibility by the Elections Commissioner:
    - a. no later than three weeks before the election meeting, for those eligible to run for Chair, or
    - b. no later than the Wednesday following All-University Elections, for those eligible to run for SSC, PC, or GSC Vice-Chair.
  2. Nominations windows shall open once notice of eligibility is given, and shall close 72 hours later.
  3. Once nominations are received, the Elections Commission shall generate reports on each candidate and distribute them to the body, alongside the list of candidates, at least 72 hours prior to an election as per 2(d)(ii).
- d. Nominations & Campaigning
  - i. The Elections Commissioner will compile a list of eligible candidates for a given position and will release this list to the voting body as soon as it is finalized. There will be no same day nominations allowed.
  - ii. Those who intend to run for an Executive Committee position (or positions) shall be nominated by themselves during the SGA meeting prior to the election meeting.
  - iii. Candidates may not campaign for a position (or positions). Campaigning (for Executive Committee purposes) entails attempting to secure votes by directly or indirectly asking people to vote for a candidate, or circulating a platform, outside of stated election meetings.
- e. Candidate Screening

- i. The Elections Commission shall generate a report on each candidate running for an Executive Committee position, detailing their participation, accomplishments, works, and record. These reports shall contain self-reported information, verified by comments from relevant Committee Chairs, members of Leadership, and Executive Committee members.
            - 1. If a current Committee Chair, Member of Leadership, or Executive Committee member is seeking office, they may not contribute to these reports. In this case, the vice-chair, or other alternate committee member, may be asked to contribute in the Candidate's place.
          - ii. These reports shall be distributed to members of the relevant body for each position, alongside a list of candidates, at least 72 hours prior to an election.
- f. Eligible Voters
  - i. The Student Government Assembly Chair shall be elected by the voting membership of the Student Government Assembly.
  - ii. The Student Senators Council Vice-Chair shall be elected by the voting membership of the Student Senators Council.
  - iii. The Presidents Council Vice-Chair shall be elected by the voting membership of the Presidents Council.
  - iv. The Global Student Council Vice-Chair shall be elected by the voting membership of the Student Government Assembly.
- g. Quorum & Absentee Voting
  - i. A quorum of each relevant body must be present at the both procedures and at the time of the vote to carry out an election. If quorum is not met, proceedings and voting shall be postponed to a later date at the discretion of the Elections Commissioner and the Chair.
  - ii. Members of relevant bodies whose seats will not be represented at an election meeting (i.e. a member absent with no designated alternate present) are entitled to an absentee ballot upon request. This request must be filed via email to the Elections Commissioner no later than 48 hours before the election, and the ballot must be completed by 8am Eastern Time for SSC Vice-Chair or 3pm Eastern Time for SGA Chair, PC Vice-Chair, and GSC Vice-Chair the day of the election, unless otherwise indicated.
    - 1. Absentee votes may count toward quorum.
    - 2. Results will only be confirmed and announced once absentee ballots are recollected, or, once it is determined that they will not affect the outcome of the election.
- h. Vote Tally
  - i. All ballots for Executive Committee elections shall be filled out and tabulated using the ranked choice method. Voters shall rank candidates in order of preference. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, an instant runoff will occur, where the candidate with the fewest votes will

be eliminated, and their votes will be redistributed to those voters' next-choice candidate. This will continue, ad infinitum, until a candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, at which time they will be declared the winner.

1. A separate question with the option “no confidence” shall be presented so that this option will not skew rank choice voting.
2. If two or less candidates are presented, the vote shall defer to the simple majority method.
- ii. If the tally is gridlocked at a tie between two (or more) candidates, the current Chair shall break the tie.
- i. Meeting Procedure & Decorum
  - i. All candidates for a position, regardless of current membership status on the body, shall be invited to the proper election meeting(s) to speak on their own behalf.
  - ii. A five-minute recess shall be taken after the first hour of proceedings at a natural stopping point determined by the Elections Commissioner.
  - iii. Guests outside of the SGA body shall be permitted to both attend and speak at election proceedings, however SGA members will have priority in all requests to speak before any guests.
  - iv. Except for results, proceedings shall not be recorded in the minutes.
  - v. Briefing
    1. At the beginning of an election meeting, the Elections Commissioner shall review relevant bylaws, and this document, to inform the body on election procedure.
    2. The Elections Commissioner will then cite relevant decorum practices from Robert’s Rules, and provide interpretations on them for the purposes of the specific election. Community agreements may also be referenced.
    3. The Elections Commissioner will then cite relevant “points” from Robert’s Rules, including “point of order”, “point of information”, and “point of privilege”.
    4. The Elections Commissioner will lay out procedures for the meeting, including time limits, determination of speaking order, and general meeting flow.
  - vi. Procedure
    1. Time will be given from a general pool, determined for each section of proceedings, and speakers will be limited to a certain amount of time each within that general pool, which they may yield back before they reach their limit. As many speakers will be taken as possible for each section of proceedings until time runs out or there are no more speakers.
    2. Prior to all proceedings, the Elections Commissioner should remind the body that;

- a. Points of order may be raised and,
- b. The Chairperson or Elections Commissioner may cut off all irrelevant or back-and-forth discussion.

vii. Meeting Sections

1. The Elections Commissioner will brief the body on all relevant information detailed above.
2. The Elections Commissioner will reintroduce the list of candidates.
3. All Candidates will be sent out of the room.
4. Candidates will then be brought in one at a time to speak and be considered.
  - a. Candidate will give 90-second introductory remarks.
  - b. Candidate will field questions from the body, and may answer as many questions as they can within a 5-minute window. Time will only run when the candidate is answering.
  - c. Candidate will be sent out of the room.
5. After each candidate has been considered individually, a 20 minute general discussion on all candidates will occur. Each speaker will have 60 seconds, and they may yield back time prior to that point.
6. Candidates will be brought back into the room.
7. Quorum will be confirmed. If quorum is met, a vote will occur.
  - a. If quorum is not met, the vote will be deferred at the discretion of the Elections Commissioner and the Chair (per section 2(g)i. of this document).
8. A winner will be announced.

j. Term of Office

- i. Executive Committee members shall begin their term of office the day after Commencement, and their term shall end the day of Commencement the following year.
- ii. In the event of a resignation or removal from office, the term shall end the day notice is received or sent.
- iii. If an interim is appointed, their term shall begin the day after their appointment, and shall end the day a replacement is elected. Replacements' terms shall begin the day after they are elected.

k. Vacancy

- i. In the event that an Executive Committee member resigns or is removed from office, their position shall be filled at the next stated SGA meeting, pursuant to SGA Bylaws VIII(B).
- ii. Elections for vacant Executive Committee positions shall follow a process consistent with normal Executive Committee elections.
- iii. In the event that a vacant Executive Committee position cannot be filled via election (due to lack of candidates or lack of faith in any candidate), the eligibility and responsibilities of that position shall be referred to the

Organization & Governance Committee for review and temporary or permanent revision, and the following shall occur:

1. If the vacant position is a Vice-Chair, the Chair shall appoint an eligible member to fill the role as Interim pursuant to SGA Bylaws V(E), or assume the responsibilities in addition to their own, until such time that another election is deemed suitable.
    - a. If a new Vice-Chair is not elected before Commencement, the current Chair may appoint an Interim pursuant to SGA Bylaws V(E), or direct the new Chair to assume the responsibilities of the role in addition to their own, until such time that another election is deemed suitable,
  2. If the vacant position is the Chair, the SSC Vice-Chair (as Vice-Chair of SGA), the PC Vice-Chair (as Chair Pro Tempore), or the GSC Vice-Chair, in succession, shall assume the responsibilities of the role, until such time that another election is deemed suitable, pursuant to SGA Bylaws V(E)-(F).
    - a. If a new Chair is not elected before Commencement, the current Chair may appoint an Interim, or assume the role of Interim if they are not graduating, until such time that another election is deemed suitable, pursuant to SGA Bylaws V(E).
3. Senator at-Large Selection Procedures
- a. Administration
    - i. The Whole Commission shall be responsible for the administration of Senator at-Large selection.
    - ii. An outgoing Chair not seeking reelection may opt to aid in the administration of Senator at-Large selection in equal partnership with the Elections Commissioner.
  - b. Applicants
    - i. Eligibility
      1. Applications for Senator at-Large shall be publicly solicited from students who are currently enrolled and/or maintaining matriculation, and intend to be enrolled and/or maintaining matriculation for the entire calendar year (Fall and Spring semesters) for which they are applying.
    - ii. Constituencies
      1. Senators at-Large shall represent no more than two constituencies.
      2. Constituencies should be communities, identities, interests, or any intersection of these that the applicant personally belongs to.
      3. Effort shall be made to solicit applications from Black students each year, in order to combat the unique forms of marginalization and underrepresentation Black students experience.



4. Prior to the release of Senator-at-Large applications, the Chair, Vice-Chairs, and Director of Diversity should hold a meeting to discuss what communities need more representation across each NYU Campus.
- iii. Criteria for Selection
    1. Applicants shall be considered for this position based on the following criteria and guidelines:
      - a. Ability to serve their constituency/ies.
      - b. Viability of their constituency/ies.
      - c. Previous experience serving their constituency/ies and/or the student body.
        - i. For transfers and new (i.e. first-year) students, experience from other institutions or from high school may be considered.
      - d. Other information as included in the application by the Elections Commission, such as:
        - i. Personal Statement
        - ii. Resume
        - iii. Letter of Recommendation
          1. Letters of recommendation should come from:
            - a. An NYU student member or organization representative of the applicant's constituency/ies,
            - b. An outside-NYU organization working to advance the interests of the constituency/ies that the applicant is asking to represent.
          2. In cases where a letter cannot be procured from an NYU student for safety reasons, or if the applicant is a transfer or new student, this letter may come from an individual who is not a student and/or is not at NYU.
    2. There may be multiple Senators at-Large selected to represent the same or similar constituencies.
  - iv. Dual-Membership
    1. In order to prevent possible conflicts-of-interest, applicants who would otherwise be voting members of the SGA, an Alternate Senator at-Large, and/or on the Executive Board of an individual SGA-member Student Council, shall resign from the positions they would have held.
- c. Alternate Senator at-Large

- i. Applicants not selected as Senator at-Large shall be considered for Alternate Senator at-Large, unless they express that they do not wish to be considered.
  - d. Applications
    - i. Content
      - 1. Applications shall be crafted by the Election Commission in consultation with the Chair and SSC Vice-Chair.
      - 2. Applications shall request a volume of information deemed necessary to make informed decisions about applicants.
    - ii. Publicity
      - 1. Applications shall be publicized at least four weeks before their due date.
      - 2. Any interest meetings or informational videos (as well as interest forms) shall be fully scheduled/prepared and published alongside the application.
    - iii. Informational Session(s)
      - 1. Informational sessions in the form of interest meetings and/or an informational video shall be encouraged for all applicants.
        - a. One to two interest meetings shall be held at various equitable times and locations, and
        - b. One informational video shall be filmed by the Elections Commissioner, Chair, and SSC Vice-Chair.
          - i. A form will accompany this video so that synchronous participants may submit questions.
  - e. Number of Senators Selected in Spring & Fall
    - i. A maximum of fourteen (14) Senators at-Large and seven (7) Alternate Senators at-Large shall be selected in the Spring semester preceding their term.
      - 1. If there are not enough viable applicants to select fourteen Senators at-Large and seven Alternate Senators at-Large, fewer may be selected at this time.
    - ii. The remaining Alternate Senators at-Large, along with any vacancies incurred after Spring selection, shall be selected by the first week of October.
  - f. Timeline
    - i. The Elections Commission shall present and ratify the next year's All-University Elections and SGA Internal Election & Selection Timeline during the last SGA meeting of the Academic Year.
      - 1. Effort shall be made to accommodate for religious holidays and observances throughout the selection process.
    - ii. Applications
      - 1. The application due date shall be set no later than the Sunday marking the end of Spring Break.

- iii. Selection
  - 1. Feedback
    - a. Feedback on applications shall be solicited so that it may be compiled and shared with SSC members on the Sunday preceding the final selection meeting.
  - 2. Preliminary Confidence Vote
    - a. The preliminary confidence vote shall open when compiled feedback is shared with SSC, and shall close at 5pm Eastern Time one day before the final selection meeting.
  - 3. Final Selection
    - a. The final selection meeting shall take place at an SSC meeting at least two weeks before the SSC Vice-Chair election meeting.
- g. Feedback
  - i. Feedback on applications shall be solicited electronically from SGA members.
  - ii. Feedback shall be compiled and given to SSC to inform their preliminary confidence vote.
- h. Preliminary Confidence Vote
  - i. Members of SSC, including current Alternate Senators at-Large, shall participate in a preliminary confidence vote, where they will consider each applicant separately and vote either in confidence or no confidence for them to remain in consideration.
  - ii. SSC members who are applicants may vote, so long as they do not vote for themselves.
  - iii. Only applicants who receive at least 25% “in confidence” votes shall remain in consideration.
    - 1. Applicants who do not remain in consideration shall not be considered for Alternate Senator at-Large, and may not reapply until the following Spring.
  - iv. Applicants shall be notified at this point whether or not they remain in consideration.
- i. Final Selection
  - i. During the final selection meeting, remaining applicants shall be discussed both separately and together. After deliberation, a vote will take place.
  - ii. Spillover
    - 1. If there is not enough time to discuss all applicants, a vote may not be held, and the body must find or create additional time to discuss remaining applicants before a vote may be held.
- j. Eligible Voters
  - i. During final selection, Senators at-Large and Alternate Senators at-Large shall be selected by School Senators.

- ii. School Senators who are applicants may vote, so long as they do not vote for themselves.
- k. Quorum & Absentee Voting
  - i. A quorum of School Senators must be present to carry out a vote during the final selection meeting. Proceedings may begin without quorum, but at such time that a vote will be held, if quorum is not met, the vote shall be postponed or held electronically, at the discretion of the Elections Commissioner and the Chair.
  - ii. School Senators whose seats will not be represented at an election meeting (i.e. member absent and no alternate present) are entitled to an absentee ballot upon request. This request must be filed via email to the Elections Commissioner by 7pm Eastern Time one day before the final selection meeting, and must be completed by 8am Eastern Time the morning of the final selection meeting.
  - iii. Absentee votes may count toward quorum.
- l. Vote Tally
  - i. Senator at-Large
    - 1. In the first round of voting, School Senators will cast fourteen votes, one for each of the fourteen applicants they believe to be the most qualified and/or needed for the position.
      - a. The fourteen applicants with the most votes shall be selected as Senators at-Large.
      - b. If the fourteenth position is a tie of two or more applicants, there shall be an instant runoff of the tied applicants. The applicant receiving a plurality in this vote shall be selected. If the tally is gridlocked in a tie between two (or more) candidates, the Chair shall break the tie.
  - ii. Alternate Senator at-Large
    - 1. Once fourteen Senators at-Large have been selected, the remaining applicants shall be considered for Alternate Senator at-Large.
    - 2. In the first round of voting, School Senators will cast seven votes, one for each of the seven applicants they believe to be the most qualified and/or needed for the position.
      - a. The seven applicants with the most votes shall be selected as Alternate Senators at-Large.
      - b. If the seventh position is a tie of two or more applicants, all tied applicants shall be selected as Alternate Senators at-Large.
      - c. If there are not enough viable applicants to select seven Alternate Senators at-Large, fewer may be selected at this time.
- m. Meeting Procedure & Decorum

- i. All applicants shall be considered fairly and given proper respect during deliberation.
- ii. All SSC members, including current Alternate Senators at-Large, shall be allowed to participate in deliberations.
- iii. A five-minute recess shall be taken after the first hour of proceedings, at a natural stopping point determined by the Elections Commissioner.
- iv. Guests shall be permitted during selection proceedings, but may not speak.
- v. Except for results, proceedings shall not be recorded in the minutes.
- vi. Briefing
  1. At the beginning of the final selection meeting, the Elections Commissioner shall review relevant bylaws, and this document, to inform the body on selection procedure.
  2. The Elections Commissioner will then cite relevant decorum practices from Robert's Rules, and provide interpretations on them for the purposes of the specific election. Community agreements may also be referenced.
  3. The Elections Commissioner will then cite important "points" from Robert's Rules, including "point of order", "point of information", and "point of privilege".
  4. The Elections Commissioner will then lay out procedures for the meeting, including time limits, determination of speaking order, and general meeting flow.
- vii. Procedure
  1. Time will be given from a general pool, determined for each section of proceedings, and speakers will be limited to a certain amount of time each within that general pool, which they may yield back before they reach their limit. As many speakers will be taken as possible for each section of proceedings, until time runs out or there are no more speakers.
- viii. Meeting Sections
  1. The Elections Commissioner will brief the body on all relevant information detailed above.
  2. The Elections Commissioner will present a list of currently-represented constituencies, and reintroduce the list of applicants.
  3. Applicants will be discussed one-at-a-time.
    - a. Applicants will be sent out of the room while they are being discussed, and will be allowed to return once they are no longer being discussed.
    - b. The Elections Commissioner will list the applicant's name, pronouns, and constituency/ies, and display compiled feedback on-screen.

- c. A 3-minute general discussion on the applicant will occur. Each speaker will have 30 seconds, and they may yield back time prior to that point. Only that applicant may be discussed during this time.
  4. Once all applicants have been deliberated on, there will be a 10-minute general discussion on all applicants. Each speaker will have 60 seconds, and they may yield back time prior to that point.
    - a. Applicants who are current SSC members will be sent out of the room during this discussion and will be allowed to return once the discussion ends.
  5. Quorum will be confirmed. If quorum is met, a vote will occur.
    - a. If quorum is not met, the vote will be deferred at the discretion of the Elections Commissioner and the Chair (per section 3(k)i of this document).
  6. If meeting time expires before a vote can take place, refer to Section 3(i)ii(1) of this document.
  7. Fourteen Senators at-Large shall be selected (per section 3(l)i of this document) and announced to the body.
  8. The body will vote by simple majority on whether to add a 5-minute discussion for further deliberation before selecting Alternate Senators at-Large.
  9. Seven (or less) Alternate Senators at-Large shall be selected (per section 3(e)(i)(1) of this document) and announced to the body.
- n. Fall Selection
  - i. Timeline
    1. Selection of the remaining Alternate Senators at-Large, including vacancies incurred after Spring selection, shall follow a similar timeline and process to Spring Selection, anchored to a final selection meeting in the first week of October (per section 3(e)ii of this document).
      - a. Before new applicants are considered for Alternate Senator at-Large, any Senator at-Large vacancies incurred after Spring selection shall be filled from the Alternate Senators at-Large already selected.
    2. Process
      - a. Senator at-Large vacancies shall be filled using the procedure outlined in section 3(p)i of this document.
      - b. Viable applicants not selected in the Spring shall be automatically considered for the remaining Alternate Senator at-Large seats, alongside new applicants, unless they express that they do not wish to be considered. These applicants shall be allowed to amend their previously-submitted applications, should they choose.

c. Remaining Alternate Senators at-Large shall be deliberated on in a manner consistent with Spring selection, and selected using the following voting method:

i. In the first round of voting, School Senators will cast as many votes as there are remaining seats, one for each of the applicants they believe to be the most qualified and/or needed for the position.

1. The applicants with the most votes shall be selected as Alternate Senators at-Large.

2. If the fourteenth position is a tie of two or more applicants, there shall be an instant runoff of the tied applicants. The applicant receiving a plurality in this vote shall be selected. If the tally is gridlocked in a tie between two (or more) candidates, the Chair shall break the tie.

o. Term of Office

i. The term of office for Senators at-Large and Alternate Senators at-Large selected during Spring selection shall begin the day after Commencement, and shall end the day of Commencement the following year.

ii. The term of office for Senators at-Large and Alternate Senators at-Large selected at all other times of the year, including replacements, shall begin the day after their selection, and shall end the day of Commencement.

iii. In the event of a resignation or removal from office, the term shall end the day notice is received or sent.

p. Vacancy

i. Senator at-Large

1. If a Senator at-Large resigns or is removed from office, their position shall be filled by a current Alternate Senator at-Large, pursuant to SSC Bylaws VIII(A)2(a).

a. The process for determining which Alternate Senator at-Large shall fill this vacancy shall be determined by the Elections Commissioner in consultation with the Chair and SSC Vice-Chair, pursuant to SSC Bylaws VIII(A)2.

2. Vacancies incurred before the first week of October shall be filled during Fall selection. All other vacancies shall be filled at a time deemed appropriate by the Elections Commissioner, in consultation with the Chair and SSC Vice-Chair.

ii. Alternate Senator at-Large

1. If an Alternate Senator at-Large resigns or is removed from office before the first week of October, their position shall be filled during Fall selection.

2. If an Alternate Senator at-Large resigns or is removed from office any other time of the year, their position shall be filled from the previous pool of applicants, by order of vote tally (pursuant to SSC Bylaws VIII(A)3(a).
  - a. If no viable applicants remain from previous selections, applications shall be opened following a timeline and process consistent with Fall selection.
  - b. The process for determining which applicant shall fill this vacancy shall be determined by the Elections Commissioner in consultation with the Chair and SSC Vice-Chair, pursuant to SSC Bylaws VII(A)3.