

Single Transferable Vote Bill S2017-B6

WHEREAS, the Student Government Association seeks to make future elections as fair and professional as possible,

WHEREAS, Students are less likely to vote during a run-off election and are usually unaware that voting is needed to be done twice,

WHEREAS, Run-off elections invalidate initial elections seeing as how candidates start again from zero votes and are obligated to gain more votes under more strenuous circumstances,

WHEREAS, Run-off voting unnecessarily and unexpectedly extends students' obligation to campaigning,

WHEREAS, The current voting system being used invalidates the student votes that were cast for a disqualified candidate team,

LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, Run-off elections will be built into initial voting making the Single Transferable Vote more practical than the current run-off system,

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, The following changes be made to the UNT SGA By-Laws:

Article V: Section 5: Subsection 2Aa:

~~An additional 300 dollars may be spent in the event of a run-off election.~~

Article V: Section 7: Subsection F:

In the event that no President/Vice-President candidate team receives a simple majority of votes, ~~or in the event that two or more Senatorial candidates tie for a seat, a run-off election will be held.~~ the Single Transferable Vote system will take effect until a President/Vice President candidate team receives a simple majority of votes.

Article V: Section 7: Subsection G:

In the event that two or more Senatorial candidates tie for a seat, a run-off election will be held. Senatorial candidates ~~Candidates~~ in a run-off election will be given at least 72 hours to campaign.

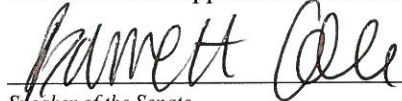
Article V: Section 7: Subsection H:

In the event that a President/Vice President candidate team is disqualified, the number of votes cast for the disqualified team will be included in the final vote count used to determine whether a candidate team receives a simple majority of votes. The disqualified candidate team's votes will be distributed to the voters' subsequent choice candidate team through the Single Transferable Vote system.

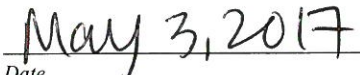
LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, The following changes made to the UNT SGA By-Laws take effect immediately.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Jonathan Guerrero
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In Witness thereof, I hereby certify the Student Senate of the University of North Texas Student Government Association has approved this document and is referred to the office of the President.



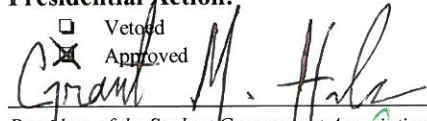
Speaker of the Senate



Date

Presidential Action:

- Vetoed
 Approved



President of the Student Government Association



Date



Vice President of Student Affairs

Date