

REGULATION 5 - ELECTIONS

1. The use of lewd, indecent, or suggestive material, irrespective of the form they may take, is prohibited.
2. The removal, destruction, or defacing of campaign materials is prohibited.
 - a. If any candidate, campaign manager, or other person associated with a candidate is found to be removing, destroying, or covering over any other candidate's campaign material, the candidate in question found committing these actions shall be disqualified by the Elections Committee.
3. No candidate may use food products of any kind in their campaign.
4. Any candidate found to be in violation of 1, 2, or 3 above shall be disqualified by the Elections Committee and shall not be eligible to run for office in the BCITSA for the full academic year subsequent to the offense.
5. For greater certainty, any poster, social media post, or other visual aid that contains photographs, drawings, artwork, or other graphics, combined with text, such text reasonably considered to be associated with BCITSA elections or a candidate for such an election, shall be considered to meet the definition of campaign materials for the purpose of the Bylaws and this Regulation if it is posted in any place or forum where any voter might reasonably be expected to be able to view it.
6. Any printed materials submitted by the deadline for nominations shall be reviewed and either approved or rejected by the CRO by the All Candidates Meeting. Any materials received after that time will be reviewed as quickly as reasonably possible with a goal of reviewing and responding to submissions within one working day.
7. Posters shall not exceed 11" x 17" in size and can only be posted on free public posting corkboards and BCITSA corkboards. BCITSA staff and BCIT custodial services have authorization to remove any posters that are not on designated areas. Campaign posters shall not cover, in whole or in part, any BCITSA branded posters.
8. The maximum poster cluster allowed is four 8.5" x 11" posters.
9. A candidate wishing to withdraw must do so no later than forty-eight (48) hours before the opening of the polls by tendering their withdrawal, in writing, personally to the CRO, or to the SA reception on the third floor of SE2. Any such withdrawal

must be submitted with proof of identity. No campaign manager shall be authorized to submit such a withdrawal on behalf of a candidate.

10. Campaign speeches of a spontaneous nature may be made at any location either by the candidate or the Campaign Manager on their candidate's behalf. No candidate may campaign within any office or operation of BCITSA.
 - a. For further clarity, BCITSA Club events are not to be considered BCITSA events for the purpose of this regulation.
11. The campaign expenses incurred by any one candidate must not exceed seventy-five (75) dollars before taxes. Any in-kind donations will be counted against this expense limit at their fair market value. The use of club funds or BCITSA funds and / or resources is prohibited. All campaign expenditures are to be accounted for and submitted to the CRO, along with receipts and the Checklist Form contained in the Candidate Nominations Package not later than 5:30pm the day voting closes.
12. All candidates must be present at the All Candidates meeting that immediately precedes the start of campaigning. If a candidate fails to attend the All Candidates meeting without providing advance notice to the CRO, he/she will be disqualified by the Elections Committee unless such candidate can provide the Committee compelling reasons why he or she was both unable to attend the meeting and also unable to provide advance notice. If a candidate is unable to attend the All Candidates meeting, the Elections Committee may reschedule the meeting.
13. The Elections Committee may, at their sole discretion, extend any deadline for action contained in this Regulation, if the enforcement of such deadline would be unpractical or unsafe.