THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

Bill Number: Senate Resolution #2018-20

Title: Bylaw Amendment to Remove Board of Elections and Add New Responsibilities to

Judiciary

Sponsored by: Vice President Sofia Musman

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WHEREAS the Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) at California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) is the single

recognized voice for over 37,000 students of the university; and

WHEREAS the purpose of the Board of Elections is to establish, review, revise, and monitor enforcement of

administrative rules and regulations of regular and special elections of the Associated Students,

also known as the "Elections Handbook;" and

WHEREAS that the Government Elections Officer currently does all of the duties of the Board of Elections,

only referring to said board for approval of the Elections Handbook, as well as other ASI

elections details; and

WHEREAS that the voluntary members of the Board of Elections have had a history of not being able to

fulfill board responsibilities such as attending meetings and hearings, assisting with the marketing campaign and not being able to assist with election events leading the Government Elections Officer, as well as Government Affairs staff to do such work resulting in a delay on the

process of organizing the ASI elections; and

WHEREAS that any approvals needed for the ASI elections should be made by the Judiciary Branch,

considering that such board is responsible for reviewing any Associated Students, Inc. agency, body, organization, or officer holder within the ASI, including the non-biased review of the AS

Bylaws and Elections Handbook; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED that Chapter II, Article X, Section 4 Board of Elections be removed starting the 2018-19 academic

year; and be it further

RESOLVED that the responsibility of approving the Elections Handbook, monitoring campaign activities

along with the Government Elections Officer, and having a hearing board of violations of the Elections Handbook be moved to the Judiciary membership duties under Chapter II, Article III

Judicial Branch; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Judiciary will have the final decision on the hearing process of the ASI elections; and be

it further

RESOLVED that Chapter II, Article X, Section 7 D. Duties and Responsibilities of the Government Elections

Officer be changed to:

D. Duties and Responsibilities

1. Serve as a chief administrative officer of the regular and special elections of the

Associated Students.

2. Establish, review, and revise the Elections Handbook and seek Judiciary for approval.

3. Establish an election cycle for each regular and special election.

4. Present all elections results to the University for its approval.

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- 5. Enroll all approved administrative rules and regulations and widely publicize to the public.
- 6. Seek volunteer support for the elections from ASI volunteer applications and Beach Team.
- 7. Determine regulatory rulings on violations of the Elections Handbook. The responsibility of the hearing board will fall under the Judiciary duties.
- 8. Monitor campaign activities along with the Judiciary; and be it further

RESOLVED

that Article III Judicial Branch be amended to include a clause stipulating that in the case of a Judiciary member being a candidate in the elections, they will recuse themselves from any decision-making processes that relate to elections and/or hearings; and be it further

RESOLVED

that this resolution allows the ASI Vice President the authority to further change the AS Bylaws to accurately reflect the changes stated within this resolution; and be it finally

RESOLVED

that an electronic copy of this resolution, upon its approval by the ASI President be distributed to CSULB President Jane Conoley, Vice President for Student Affairs Carmen Taylor, Dean of Students Piya Bose, all CSULB academic college council presidents, all current and future ASI Officers, the Daily 49er, and 22 West Magazine.

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Sofia Musman, Vice President &

Chair, Associated Students Board of Directors

Delivered to the President of the Associated Students on:

Joseph Nino, Associated Students President

Date

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