## Elections Board Minutes

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10/18/18, 11:00AM

Nati Conference Room

**CALL TO ORDER by John Paul Renteria at 11:00 AM.**

**A. MEETING BUSINESS**

1. **Roll Call**

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| **Name** | **Note:**  absent (excused/not excused)  arrived late (time)  departed early (time)  proxy (full name) | **Name** | **Note:**  absent (excused/not excused)  arrived late (time)  departed early (time)  proxy (full name) |
| John Paul Renteria | **Present** | Ruth Garcia Guevara | **Present** |
| Davis Quan | **Present** | Diana Collins Puente | **Present** |
| Andrew Yan | **Present** | Zeina Safadi  (Attorney General) | **Present** |
| Emma Xing | **Absent (Excused)** |  |  |
| Hattie Grace | **Present** |  |  |
| Jennifer Pantoja | **Absent (Excused)** |  |  |
| Rachel Wiesenthal-Coffey | **Present** |  |  |

**B. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**B.1. Special Elections Voting**

*Seeing as the Elections voter turnout rate is ~5%, there was originally a one week period in which the turnout could have been reached. However, after drawing from Elections Code where the General Elections must be completed by the fifth week of Spring Quarter (****Article X Section******2****)*

**Motion to extend the EVPSA voting deadline to Friday at 4PM of week 5 unless the quota, set at 16%, is reached.**

*First/Second: Grace/Quan*

*Vote: 4-0-1*

*Motion Passes.*

*With an extended voting period, outreach should be increased. Elections Board will start to table in front of the Arbor with a computer allowing folks to vote. Further, Diana introduced the idea of having a designated computer at the Pardall Center for undergraduates to vote in the special election.*

**Motion to allow students to vote at designated Elections Board computers and to request Pardall Center Staff to inform students that they can cast a vote at a designed computer located at the Pardall Center**

*First/Second: Yan/Quan*

*Vote: 3-0-2*

*Motion Passes.*

*A general statement regarding the extended voting period shall be sent out to lay out how Elections Board came to their conclusion.*

**Motion to send out a general statement regarding the extended voting period**

*First/Second: Yan/Quan*

*Vote: 3-0-2*

*Motion Passes.*

*There was a discussion regarding lowering the voter turnout rate. Questions of legality arose of whether or not Elections Board could lower the turnout rate. Elections code does not restrict Elections Board from lowering the turnout rate; however, if Elections Board does lower it, it will set precedence and allow future candidates/parties/to use this event to argue lowering a threshold in any election.*

*Elections Board has decided not to lower the threshold.*

**Meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM by John Paul Renteria.**