## **UCSB** Associated Students

# Recall Election Procedure



Compiled by the AS Elections Board & the AS Office of the Attorney General

### A - SIGNATURE COLLECTION

- 1. Upon notification by the petitioner, the Elections Board provides them with the template (verified signatures on Docusign or similar portal) and works with them to understand the process that has been predetermined by the Elections Board
- 2. The petitioner has the option to inform Senate of intent to petition for a recall
- 3. Petition gathering can begin before or after the elected official has been sworn in
- 4. Petition with sufficient signatures submitted to Elections Board sufficient signatures equal 10% of the voting membership who voted for the said office in the immediately preceding AS General Election (Executives), and 50%+1 (Senators) (Legal code: Article XI, § IV A)
- 5. Elections Board requests that AS staff validate that petition signers are eligible students
- 6. Elections Board notifies petitioner of the results of the signature validation for the petition
- 7. Elections Board presents the recall petition results to Senate

#### **B - SENATE VOTE**

- 8. First Senate vote to ratify the petition results (procedural vote)
- 8a. If the petition is not valid, no further action by Elections Board
- 8b. If the petition is valid, Senate votes by 2/3 majority whether to call for a recall election (recall election is considered to be a special election) (Legal code: Article XI, § II A.2)
- 9. Second Senate vote on the recall election
- 9a. If the Senate votes no on the recall election, no further action by Elections Board
- 9b. If the Senate votes yes for the recall election, the Elections Board determines how and when the recall election will take place, by week 4 in the Fall quarter (Legal code: Article XI, § II A.1)

### C - ELECTION

- 10. If a recall election is held, the recall shall be effective immediately upon a 2/3 majority student vote in favor with at least 20% voter turnout (Legal code: Article XI, § IV, B)
- 11. Senate votes to ratify the results of the recall election
- 12. If recall passes, Senate votes with a 2/3 majority to call a special election to fill the recalled position (Legal code: Article XI, § II A.2)
- 13. Special election is held the Elections Board will determine how and when the special election will take place (Legal code: Article XI, § II A.4)