Appendix A: Recommendations from Elections Committee

From the Elections Committee:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the following recommendations to be completed and updated on to Council at the latest by the first meeting in August 2017.

RECOMMENDATION 1:
Council direct Human Resources Committee to create a hiring timeline and change the term dates for the entire Elections Committee in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 2:
Council direct Governance Committee to abolish the Events and Communications officer on the Elections Committee and replace the position with the Events Officer and the Communications Officer in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 3:
Council direct Governance Committee to restructure the Elections Committee to consist of 6 members chaired by the Elections Administrator in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 4:
Council direct Governance Committee to create conflict of interest rules for all Elections Committee members and a way to enforce these rules if broken in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 5:
Council direct Governance Committee to update the Electoral Procedures for online voting and create an article laying out how paper balloting will proceed in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 6:
Council direct Governance Committee to abolish VoterMedia from the Electoral Procedures in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 7:
Council direct Governance Committee to remove posters as an approved method of campaigning in Elections in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 8:
Council direct Governance Committee to require the Elections Administrator at times outlined in the attached document to attend Council meetings and to present to Council in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 9:
Council direct Governance Committee to ban candidates from endorsing and supporting other candidates running in elections in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 10:
Council direct Governance Committee to update the reimbursement level requirements for candidates as outlined in the attached document.

RECOMMENDATION 11:
Council direct Governance Committee to review the oversight of Constituency and Club elections by the AMS.”

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the following recommendations to be completed and updated on to Council at the latest by the first meeting in January 2018.

RECOMMENDATION 12:
Council direct the Elections Committee for the 2017/18 academic year to create a more detailed candidate violation and punishment procedure in the AMS Code of Procedure for the Elections Committee to follow.

RECOMMENDATION 13:
Council direct the Elections Committee for the 2017/18 academic year to review the referendum campaign regulations and create more enforceable rules for all referendum campaigns in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 14:
Council direct the Elections Committee for the 2017/18 academic year to create a No Campaign process for uncontested races in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 15:
Council direct the Elections Committee for the 2017/18 academic year to create new rules regarding the involvement of student staff, executives, and Councillors in the AMS elections in the AMS Code of Procedure.

RECOMMENDATION 16:
Council direct the Elections Committee for the 2017/18 academic year to create a system that allows candidates to receive reimbursement money before the campaign period to alleviate candidate’s financial burdens in the AMS Code of Procedure.”