

Article 2. Nomination and Campaign Regulations (c)

We propose adding text to clarify who is eligible for reimbursements. The proposed wording is in line with AMS Elections Committee practice in past years.

Note: In the proposed Code Change, the cutoff date is the start of the Campaign Period, but this could be changed. We could also say that “all candidates who attended the All-Candidates’ Meeting are eligible,” since some candidates might incur expenses (like purchasing a website domain name) before the start of the actual Campaign Period, in order to start promoting their campaign right away.

Article 3. Violations and Penalties

We are getting rid of the distinction between serious, intermediate and minor offences, so that there is only a distinction between serious and less serious offences. Some of the wording also allows the AMS Elections Committee more flexibility in imposing more lenient penalties when appropriate.

This proposed Code Change also removes the AMS Elections Committee’s power to reduce a candidate’s expense limit or reimbursement amount. These punishments impact candidates based on their personal financial resources, which is both unfair and inequitable.