

**CODE CHANGES 2021:  
NOMINATION FORMS AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS**

TO: Council  
FROM: The President on behalf of the Chief Electoral Officer  
*November 2021*

Amendment to lower the number of nominators, allow nomination forms to be digital, and transfer the validation of referendum petitions to the Chief Electoral Officer.

Additions are indicated by ***bold italics***. Deletions are made by striking through (~~this~~).

**SECTION IX A: ELECTORAL PROCEDURES**

**Article 2. Nomination and Campaign Regulations**

2. Nominations

- (c) ***Each candidate running for an Executive position shall be an Active Member of the Society, and shall submit either a digital or hardcopy nomination form duly signed by the candidate and no less than twenty-five (25) nominators, each of whom shall be an Active Member of the Society.***
  - (i) ***Digital forms shall be submitted to the Chief Electoral Officer.***
  - (ii) ***Hardcopy forms shall be available in the Administrative Assistant's office and shall be submitted in person to the Administrative Assistant.***

~~(c) — Each candidate running for an Executive position shall be an Active Member of the Society, and shall submit in person to the Administrative Assistant a nomination form duly signed by the candidate and no less than fifty (50) nominators, each of whom shall be an Active Member of the Society entitled to vote in that election. Forms shall be available in the Administrative Assistant's office.~~

**Article 4. Referendum Regulations**

2. For greater clarity, to be duly signed in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(b) a petition signature must have been freely given without coercion and must not have been provided in exchange for alcoholic beverages or monetary benefits. They must also be kept secure in accordance with the internal policy on petition privacy and they must each include the following elements:

- (a) the Active Member's name (printed);
- (b) the Active Member's student number; and
- (c) the Active Member's signature, either handwritten on paper or in

electronic form produced by means of a system approved by Council on the recommendation of the Vice-President Academic and University Affairs.

3. On receiving a petition in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(b), the Vice-President Academic and University Affairs shall **forward it to the Chief Electoral Officer, who shall** verify that it meets the requirements of the Bylaw and of this Article. If it has done so, the **Chief Electoral Officer** ~~Vice-President Academic and University Affairs~~ shall forward the question on the petition to ~~the Chief Electoral Officer~~, the President, and Council so that a referendum may be held on it.