MEMORANDUM

TO: Applicants for the office of Student Government Senator
FROM: Elections Committee, Student Government Association
SUBJECT: SGA ELECTIONS GUIDELINES

Guidelines for Application
1) Application can be found on the Student Government Association webpage.
   2) Application must be filled out completely including a tasteful picture (i.e. no offensive
      gestures and no alcoholic beverages) and short biography or statement of why the
      candidate wants to represent Eastern’s Student Body.
3) Applications be submitted by September 14, 2014 at 11:59pm. Late
   submissions will not be accepted.

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Requirements:

1. Senators: Must have a GPA of 2.5 or greater and complete the application submitted
   by the due date.
2. Executive Board (E-Board) with the exception of President: Must meet one of two
   requirements: 1) served in SGA for one full semester and have left in good standing,
   (meaning that you have not gotten impeached) or 2) Served one full semester as President
   of Vice President of an on campus student organization that has been around for at least 2
   years, have a GPA of 2.7 or higher, and have 60 completed credits by the time of
   elections.
3. In order to run for President, you must have been a senator for 1 full semester and have a
   GPA of 2.7 or greater.

Campaign Conduct:

1. You may only use up to $50 dollars for your campaigning budget. You must keep
   the receipts for all items (including materials used for bake goods and other
   promotional materials) purchased so they can be rendered if requested. You will not be
   reimbursed.
2. All candidates must follow the guidelines the Student Government Association as
   well as the Eastern Connecticut State University Student Code of Conduct.
3. All campaigning must take place between the allotted dates.
4. All posters and promotional material must only be posted on authorized bulletin
   boards around campus with appropriate authorization (i.e. student center stamp).
   Candidates may not use easels.
5. Candidates may not remove or deface another’s promotional material/information.
6. Candidates may use social media (i.e. Facebook, Twitter, etc.) but are warned to use these mediums wisely, and that in using these, the campaign rules still apply (i.e. appropriate and not slanderous/derogatory towards another candidate).

7. All campaign materials must be removed within 24 hours of the close of elections.

8. Campaigning is not permitted in the presence of drugs or alcohol.

9. All campaign literature must be in good taste and may not be derogatory towards any other candidate.

10. No campaigning is allowed in a SGA meeting or at an SGA function.

11. Chalking will not be permitted on campus.

Winners:
1) The winner will be determined by the majority vote.

2) In the event of a tie a runoff election will be held within 14 days of the announcing of a tie. The election will be held in a public place (TBD by the Elections committee).

3) If after 72 hours of the winners being determined and notified if no irregularities have been reported to the Elections committee then the election is valid.

Violations:
1. Any violation reports will be investigated by a member of the SGA Election Committee, and/or ECSU.

2. Any complaints of violations must be submitted within 72 hours of the election.

3. The following actions may be imposed for violations:
   - Disqualification
   - Official Reprimand
   - Dismissal of complaint
   - Recommendation for University disciplinary action