

2026 Student Body Election Candidate Packet

SPRING 2026 STUDENT BODY ELECTION TIMELINE

- I. **Monday, February 23:** Filing for SBO Candidates opens at 9:00 AM
- II. **Wednesday, March 4:** Filing for SBO Candidates Closes at 5:00 PM
- III. **Tuesday, March 10:** Mandatory Candidate Information Session at 9:30 PM
- IV. **Monday, March 23:** Campaign Period begins at 12:01 AM
- V. **Monday, March 30:** Primary Election (if necessary) 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- VI. **Wednesday, April 1:** General Election 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- VII. **Thursday, April 2:** Deadline to Remove Campaign Materials

**Presidential Debate Tentatively Scheduled for Tuesday, March 31*

STUDENT BODY OFFICER FILING REQUIREMENTS

- I. Meet the Eligibility Requirements for candidacy.
 - a. See 2026 SBO Election Guidelines, which are included at the end of this document, for more information regarding the Eligibility Requirements.
- II. Attend the Mandatory Candidate Orientation Meeting on Tuesday, March 10, at 9:30 PM.
- III. Schedule and attend a meeting with Elections Board Chair, Sydney Moltrum, prior to submitting the Candidate Interest Form.
- IV. Print and submit hard copies or scans of:
 - a. Declaration of Intent
 - b. Ethical Campaigning Statement
 - c. Financial Compliance Statements by Wednesday, March 4, at 5:00 PM to Sydney Moltrum, Elections Board Chair.

DECLARATION OF INTENT

I, _____, hereby declare that I am running for the position of _____ at Texas Christian University for the 2026-2027 term.

By initialing below, I acknowledge the following:

I. _____ I am currently a full-time undergraduate student (12+semester hours) and will maintain full-time undergraduate student status throughout my term.

II. _____ I have read and fully understand the provisions set forth in the Election Guidelines.

III. _____ I agree to abide by all the rules set therein and to contact the Elections Board Chair with any questions about requirements or restrictions that are unclear to me.

IV. _____ I recognize that the Elections Board performs a regulatory role during the campaign.

V. _____ I understand that the rules set in the Election Guidelines are binding and that any violation of the Guidelines or other SGA governing documents will result in action being taken against me.

VI. _____ I agree to contact the Elections Board if I see or hear of any possible violations of the Election Guidelines by my campaign team and volunteers or volunteers of other candidates.

VII. _____ I agree to educate my campaign team and campaign volunteers on all guidelines set forth in the Election Guidelines.

VIII. _____ I understand that TCU Student Affairs will verify my credit hours, GPA, and University conduct record to determine my eligibility as a candidate.

IX. _____ I understand the ballot position is selected randomly.

X. _____ I understand the responsibilities of the office I am running for, as set forth in the Student Government Code.

XI. _____ I understand that if elected, should my cumulative GPA or semester GPA fall below 2.50, I withdraw, or graduate from the University, or study abroad while in office, I will be considered having resigned from my position.

This Declaration of Intent must be printed and submitted to the Elections Board Chair by the deadline specified in the SBO Candidate Filing Packet.

Signature of Candidate: _____ Date: _____

ETHICAL CAMPAIGNING STATEMENT

By initialing below, I, _____, do hereby promise to act to the best of my ability to campaign according to the guidelines set out herein.

I. _____ I will not violate the spirit of SGA documents, including the Election Guidelines and Student Government Code, in the course of campaigning.

II. _____ I will act in a manner befitting the office for which I am running at all times during the campaign period.

III. _____ I understand that, as a candidate for an SGA office, I am seen as emblematic of SGA and will represent the organization in a manner befitting its reputation.

IV. _____ I will act with respect towards other candidates for office and members of the Elections Board during the campaign period.

V. _____ I will conduct my campaign with the intention of furthering a fair, honest, and meaningful election for the members of the TCU student body.

VI. _____ I will conduct my campaign primarily with the intention of furthering the interests of the Student Body.

VII. _____ I take responsibility for the actions of my campaign team/volunteers and will hold them to the same standards set by this document.

VIII. _____ I will do my utmost to uphold the provisions outlined herein.

Social Media Handles:

Instagram: _____

TikTok: _____

Twitter: _____

Facebook: _____

Miscellaneous: _____

This statement must be printed and submitted to the Elections Board Chair by the deadline specified in the SBO Candidate Filing Packet.

Signature of Candidate: _____ Date: _____

FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

By initialing below, I, _____, do hereby express an understanding of and promise to fully comply with the Campaign Expenses section of the Elections Guidelines as expressed in the following statements.

- I. ____ All campaign expenses must be reported to the Elections Board using the Budget Tracking Form provided at the time of filing.
- II. ____ Candidates will have a spending limit of \$500 for the general election. If selected to participate in the primary election, each candidate will receive an additional \$100.
- III. ____ Candidates will not be provided with TCU's tax-exempt certificate. Any tax paid will count toward campaign spending limits.
- IV. ____ TCU only reimburses current students, faculty, and staff. TCU associates/affiliates and non-students, faculty, staff, including parents cannot be reimbursed.
- V. ____ TCU only reimburses the purchasers of items.
- VI. ____ The Elections Board shall have the power to **set a fair market value** for any expenses that do not have proper documentation or follow the Guidelines.
- VII. ____ Candidates may not collaborate with outside corporate partners or co-opt existing promotional campaigns.
- VIII. ____ Any candidate who is found to have exceeded the campaign spending limit by any amount shall be **immediately disqualified**. This decision may be overturned only by an appeal to the Judicial Board.
- IX. ____ The Election Board Chair will contact all candidates with the amount of funding provided to them through the SGA Campaign Fund after filing closes. The maximum available is \$500 per candidate; but may be less based on the number of candidates running for office. The funding provided does not change candidates' spending limit.

This statement must be printed and submitted to the Elections Board Chair by the deadline specified in the SBO Candidate Filing Packet.

Signature of Candidate: _____ Date: _____

USING YOUR CANDIDATE FUNDING ELECTION 2026

Deadline:

1. Direct purchase requests due TWO WEEKS before your purchase needs to take place.
2. Reimbursement receipts and invoices due by 5:00 pm on April 8.

Ways to Claim Your Campaign Funding:

Reimbursement

Candidates purchasing supplies, goods, or services through vendors that do not use invoices for payment can make purchases and then submit receipts for reimbursement. TCU does not issue checks for reimbursements. All payments are made via direct deposit. **Before beginning this process, please make sure you are enrolled in direct deposit.** Even if you receive a paycheck from TCU via direct deposit – you must enroll in Account Payable Processing direct deposit **BEFORE** submitting a receipt for reimbursement. Payroll and Account Payable Processing direct deposit are different. You can find direct deposit instructions on the funding page of the SGA website. <https://sga.tcu.edu/funding/>

To Submit Your Reimbursement

To submit your receipt(s), please use the reimbursement dropbox and reimbursement envelopes in the **University Unions Administration Office next to the Information Desk.**

1. All receipts submitted in the drop box must be ORIGINAL receipts or print outs of online purchases – copies and scans will not be accepted.
 - a. Receipts must be submitted by 5:00 pm April 8 for reimbursement. Please submit all receipts via the drop box in the University Unions Administration Office.
 - b. Online receipts should be printed.
 - c. If the purchaser's name is on the receipt, TCU will only reimburse that person (with the exception of the parent/child relationship).
 - d. TCU will only reimburse currently enrolled students or faculty/staff.
 - e. Individuals not affiliated with the University cannot be reimbursed – this includes parents.
 - f. Please use your legal name and TCU email when dropping off receipts.
 - g. All receipts must contain the following data:
 - i. Business name
 - ii. Date
 - iii. Goods or services purchased
 - iv. Purchase price or zero balance due
 - v. Method of payment (cash, check, or type of credit card)

h. No signature is needed on a reimbursement form – it will be submitted electronically to the University on your behalf.

2. Invoices: Candidates working with companies that have a pre-existing invoice relationship with SGA can use that relationship to direct bill (invoice) goods/services during the campaign. SGA can process and apply candidate funds toward an invoice; however, if the SGA allocation does not cover the entire cost of the invoice, the candidate will be asked to supply the remaining funds. To submit your invoice(s), please email sgapurchasing@tcu.edu to set up a time to discuss the invoice. Your appointment should be BEFORE agreeing to pay a company using an invoice.

a. Invoices must be submitted by 5:00 pm April 8 for payment to your vendor. Please email sgapurchasing@tcu.edu to schedule a meeting.

b. SGA will only process invoices from businesses that the organization has a pre-existing direct bill relationship with. For a list of businesses, please email sgapurchasing@tcu.edu BEFORE agreeing to pay a company using an invoice.

c. All invoices must contain the following data:

- Business name and address
- The word “Invoice” – not bill or statement
- Date
- Invoice numbers
- Terms (when the payment for the invoice is due) – for businesses that need quick payment, please have them put “due upon receipt”
- Description of goods or services purchased
- Purchase price

3. Direct Payment: TCU has the option to purchase items on a University purchasing card or using a purchase order (from vendors such as Amazon, Costco, or the TCU Bookstore, for example). To use this option, please contact sgapurchasing@tcu.edu at least TWO WEEKS BEFORE you need to make your purchase.

Questions? Please contact Kim Turner kim.turner@tcu.edu or Stephanie Vordokas at s.vordokas@tcu.edu

ADDITIONAL CANDIDATE INFORMATION

- I. All candidates will be required to submit a headshot photo of their choosing. The photo will be displayed on the SGA website on a candidate information page and will also be used for the Presidential debate. The photo **must be in landscape orientation (horizontal).**
- II. All candidates may submit a 8.5”x11” inch (portrait/vertical orientation) infographic PDF by the end of the filing period. The infographic can contain any information the candidate chooses. The PDF will be linked on the SGA website on the candidate information page. Candidates who fail to meet the deadline will not have a graphic linked to their profile.
- III. Presidential candidates will participate in a debate hosted by TCU 360 **tentatively** scheduled for March 31.
- IV. The tabling “draft” will be at the Mandatory Candidate Orientation Meeting on Tuesday, March 10. This is when candidates will have the opportunity to pick their tabling times and locations for the duration of the campaign period.
- V. Candidates can put out yard signs for campaign purposes during the allotted campaign period. However, the signage must comply with the TCU University Unions rules and regulations and should meet community standards, such as being free of vulgarity, sexual content, images that reference alcohol, tobacco, etc. – both explicit and implied. If in doubt, please ask the SGA advisor or Elections Board concerning your sign content BEFORE printing and posting. In the event signs must be reprinted for failing to meet standards, the original signs will be deemed unusable and destroyed. Those signs will not count against the campaign spending limit.
 - a. Digital Signage Information: <https://union.tcu.edu/digital-signage/>
 - b. Promotional Signage Information:

<https://deanofstudents.tcu.edu/student-handbook/university-regulations/promotional-signage-policy/>

CAMPAIGN VIOLATIONS

- I. Any student, faculty, or staff witnessing an alleged campaign violation may file a report.
- II. In order to file a report, visit the SGA website <https://sga.tcu.edu/elections/> and see the “Report a Campaign Violation” section.
- III. All violations will be assessed by the Elections Board, and the appropriate sanctions will be conveyed to the candidate.
- IV. The Judicial Board will act as an appellate board for election violation decisions contested by the sanctioned candidate.
- V. See Election Guidelines for more information regarding Campaign Violations.

Student Body Officer Elections

Eligibility

I. At the time of filing, all candidates must:

- a. Be a full-time (12+ semester hours) member of the undergraduate student body.
- b. Be completing coursework on TCU's physical campus in Fort Worth.
 - i. Unless there is an unexpected and complete closure of the campus.
- c. Have completed a total of 36 semester hours, 24 of which must be completed at TCU.
- d. Have a cumulative GPA of 3.25.

II. At the time of the election, all candidates must:

- a. Have served a minimum of one semester, as defined by the Student Government Code, as a member of the Student Government Association; as a voting member of the House of Student Representatives; member of the House Executive Board; member of Cabinet; or must attend an informational meeting about the position they seek. If the current officeholder is not seeking re-election, the candidate will meet with that officeholder; if the officeholder is seeking re-election, the candidate will instead meet with a designated Elections Board member or the SGA advisor.

III. During the term of office, all student body officers must:

- a. Maintain full-time undergraduate (12+ semester hours) student status, with the exception of seniors in their graduating semester.
- b. Be completing coursework on TCU's physical campus in Fort Worth.
- c. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.25.
- d. Uphold the Student Code of Conduct and remain in good standing with the University, as defined by the Dean of Students Office, including remaining off disciplinary probation.

IV. Students who have been, or currently are, on disciplinary probation with the University (as defined by the Dean of Students Office) are prohibited from running for office.

V. Student Affairs staff will verify the eligibility of candidates at the time of filing.

- a. In the event a candidate is ruled ineligible, the candidate will be notified by the SGA advisor.

Filing

I. All interested candidates must attend a candidate orientation meeting.

- a. The filing period will be set by the Elections Board and written into the SBO Candidate Filing Packet.

- b. All required documents will be provided in the SBO Candidate Filing Packet.
- II. Once the filing period has closed, candidates may not change the position for which they are seeking office.
 - a. A candidate can only run for one Student Body Officer position.
- III. If a candidate is unable to attend the required public candidate orientation, the candidate's registered campaign manager may attend on the candidate's behalf. Failure of either the candidate or the registered campaign manager to attend the orientation shall result in immediate disqualification.
- IV. Candidates for Student Body Officer positions may not announce their intent to run for a Student Body Officer position, nor disclose their chosen position, until the filing period closes and the campaign period has begun.
 - a. The only individuals that can be made aware of a candidate's intended office before the beginning of the campaign period are those assisting with the campaign, the Election Board Chair, and the SGA Advisor.
 - b. While candidates may recruit as many campaign volunteers as desired during the election period, prior to the campaign period each candidate is limited to one campaign manager and a pre-launch team of no more than ten members in order to eliminate the temptation of early campaigning. Campaign managers and pre-launch team members must be registered in filing documents.

Campaigning & Endorsements

- I. Campaigning is defined as any action initiated by either a candidate or the campaign team to persuade members of the student body to vote for or against one or more candidates.
- II. No campaigning is permitted before the campaign period begins by the candidate or her/his team.
- III. Candidates must submit the name and requested information of all the individuals assisting in campaigning to the Elections Board.
 - a. Before participating on a campaign team/activities, students must be registered as member of a campaign team. Information on how to register team members will be distributed by the Election Board.
- IV. Only TCU registered student organizations can endorse candidates, with the exception of Student Government and affiliates.

- a. An endorsement is defined as public support by either the leadership or membership of a registered student organization for any candidate for Student Body Officer.
- b. Student Government members, including Student Body Officers, Speaker of the House, Committee Chairs, House of Representatives members, Cabinet members, and others, may not endorse a candidate for office in their SGA capacity. They can, however, in their personal capacity, endorse a candidate, so long as they do not utilize their SGA title, imagery, organization name, or other SGA connections in conjunction with the endorsement/candidate advertisement.
- c. Students running for office may not actively support another candidate(s) during the campaign period verbally, in written materials, or through physical shared labor or team staff. However, in the event of a run off, after a candidate(s) is eliminated, the eliminated candidate(s) and their team are free to campaign, including provide endorsement(s), on behalf of the remaining candidate(s) of their choice as long as they are registered as a member of their campaign team(s).
- d. TCU faculty and staff, employees of TCU, contractors, and graduate students cannot endorse nor campaign for any candidate on social media. Parents and family members may not actively endorse nor campaign for any candidate on social media.
- e. Any individual, department, departmental programs, TCU-branded affiliates, or group operated by TCU may not endorse a candidate (ex: TCU Dutchmen, TCU Showgirls, Political Science Department, TCU Football, John V. Roach Honors College, ROTC, TCU Barstool, Frog Camp, RAs, Yearbook, theCrew, FLOs [Frog Aides], etc.) nor campaign for any candidate on social media.
- f. Registered student organizations may only endorse a candidate once the Organization Endorsement Form is submitted to and approved by the Elections Board.
 - i. Candidates or campaign teams may not reach out to organizations seeking an endorsement prior to the campaign period.
 - ii. For an organization endorsement to take effect, an endorsement requires either 1) a majority vote of the members of an organization, or 2) the signatures of two officers certifying a majority vote of the officers in support of that candidate.

1. If an organization endorses via option 1), the organization must be able to certify a vote of its members upon request.
2. If an organization endorses via option 2), public communication of the endorsement must make clear that it is an endorsement only by the leadership.

V. A candidate can seek the use of a TCU student athlete's, including Spirit Squad members', name, image, or likeness, hereinafter referred to as NIL, to aid in the candidate's campaign so long as that student athlete is an undergraduate student.

- a. Any compensation provided to the athlete by the candidate will not be reimbursed from SGA-supplied campaign funding. However, it will be subtracted from the campaign Budget.
- b. All NIL documentation requested by the Elections Board must be submitted to the Elections Board prior to the use of the athlete's name, image, or likeness.
- c. All uses of NIL must follow the NIL guidelines provided to the candidate by the Elections Board.
- d. No social media content, including TCU student athletes, can be posted while the athletes are wearing official TCU team attire under any circumstances.
- e. Candidates and athletes must seek permission from TCU Athletics before taking photos and videos used in campaign materials inside/on TCU Athletics property and/or Venues.
- f. SGA is not liable for Athletic-related infractions caused by candidates.

VI. Campaigning is allowed only on campus, as defined by the full color rendering found on maps.tcu.edu.

VII. Candidates may not campaign by affixing campaign materials to vehicles that will leave the campus boundaries (refer to boundaries defined in guideline VI).

VIII. Any of a candidate's social media account handles must be disclosed to the Elections Board prior to the election.

- a. Elections Board Chair and members must have full visibility of candidates' social media during the period of the election.

IX. Candidates should operate their campaigns independently of one another. Coordination is strictly prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, running on a ticket; bulk purchasing; joint social media posts; coordinated tabling; shared endorsements; joint speaking engagements at student organizations; verbal endorsements; etc.

- a. In the event of a runoff, after a candidate(s) is eliminated, the eliminated candidate(s)

is free to campaign on behalf of the remaining candidate(s) of their choice as long as they are registered as a member of their campaign team(s). They may not transfer over campaign materials or funding to another campaign after the primary.

X. Campaign materials promoting multiple candidates will not be allowed.

XI. During the campaigning period

a. In residence halls, candidates, campaign team members, and volunteers must have the permission of the respective hall director. This must be submitted to the Election Board prior to the campaign activity taking place in that hall.

b. In the BLUU, campaigning must be approved by the Union Office (Information Desk).

c. Any other University buildings campaigning must be approved by the appropriate entity, including in academic buildings by college administrators.

XII. Unsolicited spam or mass communication with members of the student body is prohibited.

a. For purposes of this rule, “unsolicited” communication shall be defined as communication to students via a forum they did not voluntarily choose to participate in (e.g., a club GroupMe joined by members is permitted to campaign in, but creating a listserv of random student emails and sending a message is not permitted)

XIII. Lottery-style giveaways and prize incentives are prohibited.

XIV. Candidates are not permitted to create their own voting booths.

XV. Candidates may not ask to show proof of vote by a student for a particular candidate for any reason.

XVI. Use of official TCU or SGA logos on campaign materials is not permitted. Candidates may not place, add, or overlay TCU or SGA logos on any campaign materials. However, campaign photos or videos may be taken in campus locations where TCU branding appears in the background (for example, a headshot or video filmed in front of a campus building with a visible TCU sign or logo).

Campaign Violations and Appeal Process

I. Campaign violations include, but are not limited to:

a. Early campaigning

b. Exceeding campaign spending limits

c. Inaccurate report of campaign expenses

d. Using campaign methods not permitted per the Election Guidelines

e. Violating the University Code of Student Conduct or other applicable university and SGA policies

f. Engaging in any form of negative campaigning, including, but not limited to, defamation of character, libel, slander, or altering an opponent's campaign materials

II. All violations will be assessed by the Elections Board, and the appropriate sanctions will be conveyed to the candidate.

a. It is the responsibility of the Elections Board to notify the individual who submitted the violation once it has been received if an action has been taken.

III. The Judicial Board will act as an appellate board for election violation decisions contested by the sanctioned candidate. The candidate must appeal the decision within 24 hours after the Elections Board notifies the candidate of the decision regarding the violation. The Judicial Board must meet to hear appeals within 24 business hours of the candidate contesting the sanction.

a. In the event that a sanction involving disqualification is handed down within 24 hours of a primary or general election beginning and an appeal is sought, the race shall be ran with all candidates on the ballot, and the appeal shall be heard following the end of the voting period. In the event of disqualification upon appeal, the votes for that candidate shall be disregarded. No re-vote shall be held.

Campaign Expenses

I. All campaign expenses must be reported to the Elections Board using the Budget Tracking Form provided at the time of filing.

a. Candidates must report expenses within 72 hours of use, with the exception that all expenses must be reported prior to the primary and general election, respectively.

II. Candidates will have a spending limit of \$500 for the primary election. SGA has appropriated a set amount toward candidate funding, which will be split evenly among all candidates who wish to seek campaign reimbursement (as indicated at the time of filing). In the event the reimbursement pool awards candidates less than \$500 in reimbursement funds, the maximum campaign spending limit is still \$500 per candidate. The difference between the SGA-reimbursed expenses and the amount spent campaigning, should it exceed the SGA-allocated funds, will be the responsibility of the candidate.

a. If a candidate is in a race that requires a primary and they ultimately advance to the general election, then the candidate will be given an additional \$100 spending limit for the time between the primary and general election. These funds are reimbursable from SGA.

b. If a candidate is in an election that only has two candidates at the date of the primary, they will not receive the additional \$100 towards the spending limit, and no primary will be held for that race.

III. Candidates will not be provided with TCU's tax-exempt certificate. Any tax paid will count towards campaign spending limits.

IV. Candidates are not permitted to campaign with, and will not be reimbursed for, purchases that:

- a. Do not meet TCU's receipt requirements
- b. Purchases not disclosed to the Elections Board
- c. Purchases made by anyone other than the candidate, campaign manager, or campaign team. Please note that only the person making the purchase will be reimbursed. TCU can only reimburse current students, faculty, and staff.

VII. Additional Provisions Relating to Campaign Spending Limits:

a. Candidates may only utilize services and physical goods purchased using campaign funds to advance their bid for office. Items owned personally prior to the campaign shall not be permitted to be used under any circumstances except:

- i. Items able to be utilized free-of-charge by all TCU undergraduate students
- ii. Items provided to all candidates by SGA or the Elections Board
- iii. Wardrobe items (not costumes) owned prior to the election.
- iv. Goods or services that a reasonable college student and/or their roommates would have access to while living away from home. Final judgment on whether or not a campaign will be charged for an item will reside with the Election Board. If in doubt, please ask the Election Board in advance of using an item.

b. The Elections Board shall have the power to set a fair market value for any expenses that do not have proper documentation or follow the guidelines as outlined below. The fair market value assessed by the Elections Board can be contested as all other decisions by that body directly to the Judicial Board. The burden is on the appellant to show that the item was available for a lower price to members of the general public. The best way to avoid these issues is to provide documentation for all purchases.

c. If a candidate utilizes goods or services that were not timely reported to the Election Board in line with these guidelines, the Election Board shall assess their value at fair market price and subtract that value from the campaign spending limit.

- v. If a receipt is lost, the goods or services shall be assessed against the campaign spending limit by the Elections Board at what the Board determines to be a fair market value.
- vi. Items purchased at a discount or below market value must have been available for purchase by the general public at that price at the time of receipt, otherwise,

those items will be charged to the campaign spending limit at a fair market value.

d. Candidates may not collaborate with outside corporate partners or co-opt existing promotional campaigns. For example, any candidate who distributes energy drinks provided free-of-charge by a company shall have, at a minimum, the fair market value of each can distributed deducted from their campaign spending limit.

vii. Any goods or services provided by outside partners deemed to be co-opted for campaign purposes shall be assessed against the campaign spending limit by the Elections Board at what the Board determines to be a fair market value.

e. Any candidate who is found to have exceeded the campaign spending limit by any amount shall be immediately disqualified. This decision may be overturned only by an appeal to the Judicial Board.

Elections and Results

I. The general election will be held on the date specified in the SBO Candidate Filing Packet as approved by the House of Student Representatives.

II. On Election Day, each student will receive an email sent to their TCU email account with a unique voting link to vote for Student Body Officers.

a. All undergraduate students are eligible to vote.

III. If there are more than two candidates for any position, there will be a primary election a minimum of two days before the general election.

a. The two eligible candidates who receive the most votes at the time the ballot closes will move on to the general election. In the event of a tie between the 2nd and 3rd place candidates in a primary, all 3 top candidates will advance.

IV. If there are not more than two candidates, then the race will go straight to the general election.

V. For the general election, the candidate who receives the most votes at the time the ballot closes will be declared the winner. In the event of a tie, a runoff shall take place at a time following the general election as arranged by the Elections Board.

VI. All candidates will be notified of the election results on the date and time outlined in the SBO Candidate Filing Packet.

Student Body Officer Special Election

I. In the event of the inability of an officer-elect to fulfill his/her duties, the Elections Board has the responsibility to:

- a. Call a special election on dates to be set by the Elections Board Chair.
- II. All other election provisions and rules in this document shall be enforced for this special election.
- III. Expenditures for candidates in the special election are limited to \$250.
 - a. If there is a need for both a primary and general election, the two candidates who advance to the general election will be allocated an additional \$100.

Oath

- I. The Speaker of the House or Chief Justice of the Judicial Board shall administer the oath of all newly elected Student Body Officers at the regular House meeting directly following the election. The oath shall be as follows:
 - a. “I (state your name) do most solemnly and sincerely swear to faithfully serve the students of Texas Christian University, to execute the duties and responsibilities of the office I hold, to represent the interests of the student body as a whole, and to maintain and uphold the constitution of the student body, so help me God.”
 - b. The religious reference may be omitted at the request of the student taking the oath.