



The University of West Florida
Student Government Association

Election of Direct Representatives

Legislation: 16-17 Bill XIII

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Ms. Leonie Dupuis
Senate Pro Tempore

Be it known that Student Government 16-17 Bill XIII is hereby signed on _____.

Pass Veto
Date

Mr. Jacob Hebert
Student Body President

Legislative Intent:

In order to improve the election of direct representatives, this bill proposes that all students vote for President, Vice President, and Treasurer while only voting for their college senators or the Emerald Coast Governor. This is a new possibility due to improvements in UWF student population coding capabilities within the University.

Chapter 401: Officers to be Elected

401.1 The following positions shall be elected in the Student Body Elections during Spring Semester.

- A. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, ~~Emerald Coast Governor, and Emerald Coast Senate President~~ will be elected by a majority of votes of all students.
- B. All Senators will be elected by a plurality of votes from students within their respective college.
- C. Senators will be elected based on representation from each academic college.
- D. Number of senate positions for each college will be determined by the Supervisor of Elections and SGA advisor at least two weeks prior to filing opening.
- E. Emerald Coast Senate designated campus positions shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast for the designated Emerald Coast representative seat. ~~The Emerald Coast at large positions shall be filled by the candidates who received a plurality of votes that have not already filled a designated campus position.~~
 1. See Title IX Chapter 906.

Chapter 410: General Election Procedure

410.1 Polling Procedure

- A. All registered students are eligible to vote per Chapter 401.
- B. The Election Commission shall supervise the placement of nonpartisan signs announcing the election.

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- C. The main polling place shall be in front of the Nautilus market in the Commons Concourse, Building 22. There shall be no active campaigning within 50 feet of the polling station on election days. Poll workers have
right to remove anyone from the poll station.
- D. Bands and loud speakers for candidates or parties shall not be allowed
within
two hundred feet of the polls during polling hours.
- E. There shall be no proxy voting which is defined as voting on behalf of another student, even with their permission.
- F. Voters shall be entitled to vote in privacy, as long as they remain in sight
of
the poll workers.
- G. Candidates or campaign workers may not physically present students with an electronic device for the purpose of voting while on UWF property as these encounters may be indistinguishable for students from official SGA polling stations. Candidates and campaign members' interactions with polls on campus should go no further than providing a link to the electronic poll or directions to an official polling station.
- A. Students may vote from any computer that is capable of access to the My UWF system at the University of West Florida. The main polling area in the Commons, Building 22 will serve the students that do not or cannot get access to any other computer but will be available from at least 10:00 am
to
5:00pm each day of voting. Additional polling stations and extended hours shall be determined at the discretion of the Election Commission.
- I. Poll workers shall not be a candidate or involved with any campaign.
- J. Ballots shall be verified by the Dean of Students, the Assistant Dean of Students or an appointed designee.