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VUSAC, VCC, and VUS Elections

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VUSAC



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Election Dates

Monday, September 5th, 2011

Nominations Open at 9:30am

Tuesday, September 13th, 2011

Elections Information Session #1, 11:30am in the Cat's Eye

Wednesday, September 14th, 2011

Elections Information Session #2, 6:30pm in the Cat's Eye

Friday, September 16th, 2011

Nominations Close at 5:30pm

Mandatory All-Candidates Meeting at 6:00pm in the Cat's Eye

Campaigning period begins at end of All-Candidates Meeting

Sunday, September 18th, 2011

Candidate Statements due at 5:30pm

Monday, September 19th, 2011

Mandatory Poll-Clerks Meeting at 9:15pm in the Cat's Eye

Friday, September 23rd, 2011

Elections Town Hall & VOCA Dinner at 6:00pm in the Cat's Eye

Monday, September 26th, 2011

Campaigning period ends at 11:59pm

Tuesday, September 27th, 2011

Voting period begins at 12:01am

Wednesday, September 28th, 2011

Voting period ends at 5:00pm

Candidates' Receipts and Financial Info due by 5:00pm

CRO contacts candidates with results after 5:00pm

Friday, September 30th, 2011

Appeals period ends at 5:00pm

Elections and Appeals Meeting to decide on appeals at 5:00pm

Monday, October 3rd, 2011

Deadline for results to be posted outside the VUSAC office and online at vusac.ca



Pre-Nominations Period

The Fall 2011 Election was the third election period after the implementation of the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) and Elections and Appeals Committee (EAC) system following the Spring 2010 Elections. The system has begun to mature, and I was fortunate to have much of the documentation required for the elections already provided from past CROs, along with a fairly solid precedent on how to conduct the elections under the new system.

My hiring was slightly later than would be desirable, but by jumping immediately into planning, I was able to ensure that everything else proceeded as-scheduled in the VUSAC Elections Operating Policy (see: Appendix I)

I met with Asim Ashraf at Student Services on Thursday, August 25th, and set up my access to the voting.utoronto.ca system as CRO for VUSAC. We talked about some issues that had arisen with the site in the past, including incorrect voting lists, and ensured that there would not be problems this time around. I would remind Asim to have the lists of eligible part time and full time students refreshed from ROSI manually at an appropriate date (September 23rd), as this was not done automatically. I would have to manually upload a list of Professional Faculty students living in Vic Residences and therefore also eligible to vote, which I later obtained from Wanda Hughes, Residence Operations Assistant.

The elections process began on schedule with the first Elections and Appeals Committee meeting occurring on August 26th 2011, in excess of the required two-week buffer period before the opening of nominations. The EAC unanimously approved the election dates as proposed by the CRO, along with slight rule modifications and clarifications from previous iterations of the rules, as necessitated by events over the past few elections. These largely extended to clarifying poster rules and elaborating on what type of endorsements by prominent members of the Vic community were allowed. For the rules decided upon, see the Fall 2011 Elections Package, Appendix II.

Nominations Period

The nominations period was the full two weeks, as recommended by the Elections Operating Policy, one week of which was Orientation Week. I made myself visible at Orientation Week, including manning the VUSAC Booth during the Clubs Fair, and handed out a large number of Elections Packages. As a result, first year participation in the elections was high: I received 11 nomination packages from first years. Overall, there were 33 nomination packages submitted; 32 candidates showed up to the All Candidates Meeting on Friday September 16th, and 31 of these had properly filled out the Nomination Package, with 10 valid VCU nominators and 3 valid VCU poll clerks. This left 31 eligible candidates. All races were contested, with 2 candidates for Communications Commissioner, 2 candidates for Sustainability Commissioner, 24 candidates for Member at Large, 5 Candidates of VCC, and 6 for VUS. During the All-Candidates meeting, a very thorough review of the rules laid out in the Elections Package (Appendix II) occurred, as well as a detailed look at the budgetary constraints outlined in the Market Value Price Sheet



(Appendix III) occurred. The Market Value Price Sheet was also distributed in hard copy to candidates at this juncture. Minutes were taken of this meeting by the VUSAC VPI Karol Dejnicka (Appendix IV). Minutes, the Elections Package, and the Market Value Price Sheet were all also emailed out to all candidates shortly after the end of the meeting. Campaigning began at the end of the All-Candidates Meeting.

Campaigning Period

Despite the thorough overview of campaign rules and extensive documentation available, there were still a number of campaign violations during the campaigning period, from the end of the All Candidates Meeting on Friday, September 16th to Monday, September 26th. I made several rounds of the residences, and was strict in enforcing the poster rules in particular. As a result, I issued a total of 16 warnings to 9 candidates during this period, for minor offences mostly relating to posters, but also including violations of Facebook campaign rules and neutral zone rules. Fortunately, no candidate was disqualified as a result of an accumulation of these minor violations, though two candidates were at 2 strikes and 2.5 strikes respectively (3 strikes is disqualification, 2 warnings are equivalent to 1 strike; see Elections Package, Appendix II) One warning was appealed (see: Elections and Appeals Committee below, page 5.)

The Elections Town Hall was co-run with the VOCA Dinner on Friday, September 23rd, and was highly successful – all candidates turned out to give some great speeches, and there was a large turnout, thanks largely to free food courtesy of VOCA and VUSAC Commuter Commissioner Elliot Meyer.

Voting Period

Polling stations were set up at all 5 stations (Birge-Carnegie, Northrop Frye, Burwash Dining Hall, Sidney Smith, and Gerstein Library) recommended by the VUSAC Elections Operating Policy (Appendix I,) with a laptop on loan from Pratt Library at each. Disciplinary action during the voting period was minimal, as all candidates respected the no-campaigning rule

I issued two strikes in this period; one to a candidate whose poll clerk failed to show up to their shift, and no explanation was provided; another to a candidate who was witnessed violating standards of campaign propriety by flippantly disparaging another candidate near a polling station. Based on the evidence collected, I did not find this violation serious enough to merit disqualification.

In terms of the voting process itself, things largely ran themselves thanks to voting.utoronto.ca (I neglected to create a paper ballot because of my certainty that the lists were complete, and no issues arose to indicate otherwise.) There were some reports of timing out if one stayed on the ballot for too long, but this was a known issue with the voting.utoronto.ca system, and all prospective voters were advised of it beforehand. One issue about an improperly cast vote did arise, and I collected relevant information and left it for the EAC to deal with (see: Elections and Appeals Committee below, page 5.)



Voting was advertised via the Victoria College Facebook group and the VUSAC Listserv going to all VCU members, as well as posters around Vic Campus and each Residence. The ballot was sent out in a special Elections edition of the Listserv.

Voting closed at 5:00pm, and I began verifying budgetary information that had been due at the same time as voting closed. A number of serious issues relating to overspending and failure to submit budgets arose. As a result of these severe budgetary violations, I issued a total of 8 disqualifications and 3 strikes to 10 candidates. 3 disqualifications were appealed, and I will explain the process and rationale behind these disciplinary actions over budgetary concerns in the next section (see: Elections and Appeals Committee below, page 5.)

Elections and Appeals Committee

The appeals period closed 48 hours after the end of voting, at 5:00pm on Friday, September 30th. As mentioned above, there were 4 appeals received, one relating to a warning issued over postering violations, and 3 relating to disqualifications over budgetary violations. Furthermore, there was also the aforementioned issue with an improper vote that the EAC had to deal with. As there were a number of intensive issues to deal with, I chaired the meeting fairly strictly, according to Robert's Rules of Order.

With regards to the voting issue, in sum this is what occurred: I acquired the voting list of ProFac students from the Dean's Office as explained in 'Pre-Nominations Period.' As it turned out, though I did not discover this until after voting had begun, three UTORids were on the list of ProFacs that should not have been there, as only VCU members are allowed to vote in the elections. I immediately contacted the three non-VCU students in question, but unfortunately (as I was able to verify on voting.utoronto.ca), one had already voted. The other two agreed not to vote, and I verified that they did not do so. As for the student who had voted illegally (though not with malicious intent), I asked for the list of how they had voted, which they were willing to provide. Upon the close of election, I brought the matter to the EAC, which decided unanimously to adjust votes for each candidate downward by 1 vote for each vote cast for them illegally. As it turned out, this did not affect the election results, but it was important to maintain the accuracy of the elections procedure. Turnout was also adjusted downwards by 1.

With regards to the postering-related warning appeal, in related to an issue where there was little proof other than the candidate's word to support the appeal. A poster had been found on top of another, and the candidate disputed that they had placed it there. The EAC unanimously voted to uphold the CRO's ruling in issuing a warning, not due to doubts about the candidate's honesty, but contending that it is up to candidates to ensure their posters conform to the rules.

The main issue the meeting dealt with was the slew of budgetary-issue related disqualifications, and the 3 resulting appeals. Firstly, I will delve into my rationale regarding disciplinary action related to budgets, then deal with each of the three appeals individually.



When I realized shortly after the close of voting that I had, not one or two, but a large number of budgetary issues to deal with, I was initially at a loss on how to proceed. The addition of the widely-publicized Market Value Price Sheet to the process this year, as well as repeated mention of strict budget rules in emails, verbally, and printed material should have prevented an issue this simple from causing anyone problems. Unfortunately, 4 candidates failed entirely to submit a budget and were consequently disqualified, and 6 overspent to varying degrees. The elections package is clear that failure to submit a budget result in disqualification, which I carried out, but is more ambiguous on the results of varying degrees of budget overspending. The way I approached this issue was as follows:

It is clear from the Elections Package and attention paid to market value and budgetary issues that violations are a serious issue, however, the precise punishment is not clear. According to internal documents from previous CROs, as well as the VUSAC Elections Operating Policy (Appendix I) intended to act as guideline for CROs, any overspending whatsoever counted as immediate disqualification. However, I felt this was too harsh a punishment, and based on precedent set by CRO Naafia Mattoo in Spring 2011, it was clear that sometimes strikes rather than immediate disqualification were an appropriate penalty. In consultation with members of VUSAC and the Elections and Appeals Committee that were close at hand while I was making disqualification decisions just after the close of voting, I came to the conclusion that 'minor' accidental budgetary violations would be punishable by a strike, as had occurred in past elections. But it remained to define what exactly constituted minor. In thinking of what type of overspending could occur accidentally, I realized that it was entirely feasible someone could forget to include tax, and this would hardly be ground for disqualification.

With this in mind, I decided that overspending up to and including 13% (the equivalent of the HST) would merit 1 strike. Building on this, overspending in the 13% -26% bracket would merit 2 strikes. Any overspending above 26% would be equivalent to 3 strikes, or disqualification. With this theoretical backing established, I approached the 6 extant cases of overspending. They were as follows:

5% overspending above the \$10.00 limit on printed material and posters (1 strike issued)
20% overspending above the \$10.00 limit on printed material and posters (2 strikes issued)
35% overspending above the \$10.00 limit on printed material and posters (disqualification)
60% overspending above the \$10.00 limit on printed material and posters (disqualification)
71% overspending above the \$10.00 limit on printed material and posters (disqualification)
140% overspending above the \$10.00 limit on printed material and posters (disqualification)

The other 21 candidates that submitted budgets all fell under the \$10.00 printed material/posters budget, and all 27 candidates that submitted budgets fell under the \$25.00 total allowable budget.

The first of the disqualification appeals was from a candidate disqualified for failure to submit a budget. The EAC unanimously voted to uphold the CRO's ruling of disqualification, based on the rationale that the appeal consisted of an admission of guilt, and emotional appeal to the Committee, rather than presenting any reason to overturn the decision.



The second of the disqualification appeals was from a candidate disqualified for 140% overspending on their printed material and poster budget. The appeal consisted of a personal appeal to the Committee, and admission that overspending had occurred mistakenly due to a misinterpretation of the rules, as well as contending that election rules were unclear as to the specific consequences of budget overspending. The EAC unanimously voted to uphold the CRO's ruling of disqualification, based on the rationale that accidental overspending of the egregious nature being discussed was grounds for disqualification on its own, regardless of intent. The EAC also felt that the budgetary guidelines that candidates had to adhere to were made extremely clear through elections documentation; the lack of clear punishment protocol does not absolve fault. However, based on this case, the EAC recommended further clarification of punishments for budget overspending, as will be discussed below in 'Recommendations.'

The third and final disqualification appeal was from a candidate disqualified for 35% overspending on their printed material and poster budget. The appeal consisted of a contention that the candidate had in fact not utilized all the posters listed on their budget, and therefore fell under the budget. The EAC unanimously voted to uphold the CRO's ruling of disqualification, based on the rationale that the facts and figures listed in the appeal were inconsistent with what was submitted as part of the budget, which itself was inconsistent with the receipts attached to the budget, and there could therefore be no certainty about what was actually used as part of the campaign. The EAC furthermore felt that these internal inconsistencies in the budget and other statements were themselves enough to merit disqualification, and demonstrated extreme negligence and lack of care on the part of the candidate.

After upholding the CRO's ruling for all 4 appeals, and agreeing with the 8 total budget-related disqualifications, the EAC then discussed how to publish election results given this high number of disqualified candidates. It was decided that disqualified candidates would be removed from the published official results, with no specific mention made of their disqualification to avoid potential embarrassment for the candidates involved. The EAC then voted to approve the official results, as listed below and attached as Appendix V. These were immediately posted outside the VUSAC office, and uploaded to VUSAC.ca that weekend.

Official Results

Total Votes Cast – 517 of 3625 eligible voters (14.26% turnout). Up from 410 (12%) in the Spring 2011 Elections.

VUSAC POSITIONS

Communications Commissioner (1 Position Available)

278 – Ruta Rudminaite

Spoiled Ballots: 104



Sustainability Commissioner (1 Position Available)

232 – Tegan Hansen-Hodeman

208 – Zachary Medow

Spoiled Ballots: 77

Members-At-Large (8 Positions Available; 2 must be First Years)

274 – Christian Julien

153 – Zenia Turkewych-Miner

146 – Christianne Johnson

141 – Adam Martin (First Year)

137 – Kathleen Walsh (First Year)

135 – Mariam Aramyian

119 – Ryan Palkowski

119 – Sohaib Ahmed

107 – Kevin Hempstead

104 – Christine De la Cruz

102 – Elena Churilova

91 – Arezou Amin

88 – Christine Li (First Year)

83 – Abbasali Bukhari (First Year)

80 – Jennifer Klein (First Year)

79 – Robert Cao (First Year)

50 – Elveena Yessoo

40 – Kareem Jarrah (First Year)

Spoiled Ballots: 20

GOVERNING COUNCIL POSITIONS

Victoria College Council (2 Positions Available)

195 – Zenia Turkewych-Miner

153 – James Flynn

134 – Sohaib Ahmed

84 – Elveena Yessoo

Spoiled Ballots: 89

Victoria University Senate (3 Positions Available)

221 – Zenia Turkewych-Miner

186 – Adam Martin

162 – James Flynn

147 – Sohaib Ahmed

95 – Pawel Stech

Spoiled Ballots: 97



Recommendations

As a result of a number of issues that arose during this election, as well as personal observation of the elections process, I have a number of recommendations to make to VUSAC and future CROs.

Verify the ProFac voting list – make sure you have triple checked this list to ensure that no group is missing, and that everyone on the list should be there. Get the Dean's Office involved if need be; it's much easier to nip a problem in the bud than have to deal with it later.

Budget changes – explicitly state in the Elections Package and on future versions of the Market Value Price Sheet that overspending results in disqualification, as laid out in internal documents. This will remove any potential lack of clarity.

Appeals & Budget templates – as demonstrated by the failure of all 4 appeals this year, as well as the very unfortunate budget problems, it is clear that stricter guidelines are needed with regard to what is expected for both. The EAC and I have proposed publishing templates to advise candidates who are unsure what is wanted; one of a budget, one of what makes a good appeal. In the past candidates have been encouraged to approach the CRO with questions about what is desired on these documents, and it has largely been left open ended, but it is now apparent more particular instructions are needed.

Cut polling stations at Sidney Smith and Gerstein Library – turnout to these two polling stations was very low (often not a single VCU member voted at them for the duration of a shift). While it is important to advertise elections all across campus, especially to commuters that are infrequently on Vic campus, these two polling stations have proven a very large waste of time on the part of the CRO and Poll Clerks, for marginal gains. Especially now that voting is entirely online, they seem particularly outdated. Instead, I propose other ways to involve commuters in the electoral process.

Longer Voting Period – this is a way to increase turnout and further involve commuters. It does not necessarily need to entail more days of polling stations, but simply provide more days for commuters to check their emails and see the ballot there, which is undoubtedly the main way people vote, especially if they infrequently visit Vic Campus.

Elections and Appeals Committee Reform – the composition of the EAC over the past couple elections has not proven to function optimally or have the best turnout. I propose removing the UTSU Representative, and the addition of a second commuter representative to better reflect the makeup of the Vic student body.

Creation of an ACRO Position – this has been a recommendation of past CROs, and though I was initially strongly in favour of the introduction of an ACRO, I have since become more ambivalent. There should be wording in the constitution that allows for the existence of an



ACRO to exist if the CRO desires it, but I personally have found it easiest to keep control of everything if all decisions and document making are centralized.

Conclusion

Overall, I was satisfied with how smoothly the majority of the election went, with campaigning staying clean and the majority of candidates conforming to the rules without issue. It was extremely unfortunate and difficult to issue the disqualifications over budget issues, but was necessary given any rational interpretation of the rules, as approved and upheld by the Elections and Appeals Committee. Hopefully this will be taken as a warning to future candidates that all rules are seriously enforced to maintain the integrity and fairness of the electoral process.

I also wanted to express my satisfaction at the 25% increase in turnout, as well as the extremely impressive performance of first years in the elections, winning two MAL positions naturally (without needing adjustment for them being in first year) for the first time in several years, along with two-thirds of the available Senate seats and half of those available for the VCC.

There are a number of people and groups I want to address;
Firstly, thanks to all 31 candidates, who throughout the process showed great enthusiasm for Vic and willingness to get involved, which I hope continues regardless of the electoral outcome.

Secondly, thanks to the 93 poll clerks, who helped promote and administer the elections, often eagerly so, and volunteered time out of their days to help out their friends.

Thirdly, thanks to the members of VUSAC, in particular Brandon Bailey and Elliot Meyer, who provided counsel, helped promote the elections, and answered elections-related questions when I was unavailable.

Fourthly, thanks to the Dons and the Dean's Office for helping with some of the technical aspects of the election, as well as acting as extra eyes and ears to help with enforcing the rules.

Finally, thanks to the members of the Elections and Appeals Committee for volunteering their time to help out Vic, and for their efforts to keep to process as fair as possible. In particular I would like to thank Karol Dejnicka and Kristina Minnella for acting as much-needed foils to prevent me from being overly hasty or harsh in making decisions.

Congratulations to all the victorious candidates! As always, if anyone has further questions relating to elections or anything contained in this report, do not hesitate to contact me at cro@vusac.ca. Future CROs, robrubbini@gmail.com is always open to inquiries!

Thanks,
Rob Rubbini
VUSAC Chief Returning Officer
Fall 2011



Appendix I: Elections Operating Policy

Victoria University Students' Administrative Council (VUSAC) Elections Operating Policy

- S1) This document serves to advise the Chief Returning Officer and Elections and Appeals Committee on matters concerning VUSAC elections and campaign rules.
- S2) Candidates' Meetings and Statements
- ssa) A meeting shall be held by the CRO with all candidates on the same business day as nominations close, immediately after nominations close:
 - i) The CRO shall have received all candidate statements by this time. Candidates who miss the all-candidates' meeting risk disqualification.
 - ii) The CRO shall set a deadline for the receipt of candidates' statements and shall publish them at the expense of the VUSAC for distribution at all polling stations on election day.
 - iii) Candidates running for VUSAC president shall be allowed 200 words for their statements. All other candidates shall be allowed 100 words for their statements.
 - ssb) During Candidate Forums, questions from outside of the VCU shall be fielded at the discretion of the CRO.
- S3) Polling Regulations
- ssa) The CRO is responsible for the supervision of all polling officers and ensuring that each polling officer is aware of all rules and regulations. All polling officers must be students of Victoria College as stipulated in Article II of the Constitution. The CRO shall draw up a list of polling officers complete with student numbers, signatures and initials prior to election day. A copy of these shall be made available to each member of the Judiciary.
 - ssb) No polling officer shall remain at a polling station for more than four hours at a time.
 - ssc) No polling officer shall attempt to influence the decision of the voter. Failure to comply may result in the immediate disqualification of his or her candidate.
 - ssd) Each candidate is responsible for providing three polling officers and failure to do so may result in immediate disqualification from the election. If there exists an insufficient number of polling officers, nominees and members of the VUSAC may be asked to provide additional polling officers.
- S4) Campaigning Rules
- ssa) Campaign Spending
 - i) Presidential candidates may not spend or have spent on their behalf more than one hundred dollars.



- ii) Candidates for all positions other than the VUSAC President may not spend or have spent on their behalf more than twenty-five dollars.
 - iii) Goods and services received free or at a discount shall be included at their estimated market value as determined in advance by the CRO. Services contributed by students shall not be included.
 - iv) All candidates are required to produce receipts for expenditures by 5:00 p.m. the day the campaign ends. Candidates for the position of the VUSAC President shall subsequently be reimbursed for 50% of their campaign expenses, up to 50 dollars.
 - v) Any candidate who exceeds the spending limit will be immediately disqualified from the election.
 - ssb) Campaigning through the VUSAC caucus list or through the list-servs of any VUSAC-recognized club is not permitted.
 - ssc) Candidates may place no more than one poster per residence floor and only in the designated poster areas.
 - ssd) Candidates may place no more than ten posters in each of the following buildings: Birge-Carnegie, Old Vic, Northrop Frye, and Sidney Smith Hall. Poster exceeding these limits shall be destroyed and may result in the disqualification of the candidate.
 - sse) No candidate shall remove the campaign literature of other candidates.
 - ssf) Slandorous campaigning by a candidate shall result in his or her immediate disqualification.
- S5) Voting apparatus shall be placed in the following locations according to the following schedule for all voting days:
- ssa) Sidney Smith Hall 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 - Birge-Carnegie 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 - Burwash Dining Hall 11:00-2:00pm; 4:30 p.m.-7 :30 p.m.
 - Northrop Frye Hall 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 - Gerstein Library 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- S6) In the event of a two-way tie, the candidate shall be selected by lot in a public space, to be adjudicated by the CRO and the Elections and Appeals Committee.
- S7) The CRO shall make a reasonable attempt to notify all candidates personally before announcing results.
- S8) The CRO shall undertake to publicize the results of the election, including the number of votes received in favour of each candidate, by directing news releases to appropriate parties and by posting notices on bulletin boards.
- S9) All ballots must be destroyed by the CRO after 48 hours after the termination of counting unless otherwise notified by the Elections and Appeals Committee.



Appendix II: Election Package

2011 Victoria College Elections Package

Nomination Information and Forms

<p>VUSAC MALs</p> <p>Communications Commissioner</p> <p>Sustainability Commissioner</p> <p>Victoria University Senate</p> <p>Victoria College Council</p>
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Nominations are due Friday, September 16th, 2011 at 5:30pm at the VUSAC Office. Voting begins at 12:01am on Tuesday, September 27th and ends at 5:00pm on Wednesday, September 28th. Questions or concerns may be directed to the Chief Returning Officer (CRO), Rob Rubbini, by e-mail at cro@vusac.ca.

Read through the entire Elections Package carefully!

1. The following positions are open for election: **Only positions in bold are mutually exclusive; it is possible to run for the bolded VUSAC positions as well as the italicized governing council positions.**
 - **Eight (8) VUSAC Members-at-Large**
 - **One (1) Communications Commissioner**
 - **One (1) Sustainability Commissioner**
 - *Two (2) seats for Victoria College Council*
 - *Three (3) seats for Victoria University Senate*



2. Fill in the attached nomination form and submit one copy to the Chief Returning Officer mailbox in the VUSAC office, located in Room 5a of the Birge-Carnegie building, 95 Charles St. W, no later than Friday, September 16th, 2011 at **5:30pm. Any late submissions will not be accepted.**
3. When collecting signatures for your nominations, ensure that they are **MEMBERS OF THE VICTORIA COLLEGE UNION (VCU)**. This includes all students of Victoria College, as well as students who live in residence at Vic or choose to pay their VCU fees.
4. There will be a **mandatory All-Candidates Meeting on Friday, September 16th, 2011 at 6:00pm**. The meeting will be held in the Birge-Carnegie Cat's Eye. Failure of candidates to attend this meeting will result in disqualification. If it is absolutely impossible for you to attend this meeting, a written statement explaining your absence must be submitted to the CRO's mailbox by **5:30pm on Friday, September 16th, 2011** and you **MUST** send someone in your place. **This person will serve as your proxy. You are responsible for getting yourself up to speed on what was discussed at the All-Candidates Meeting through your proxy. Failure to do so may lead to warnings, strikes, and possible disqualification (see below).**
5. Complete the candidate statement in 100 words or less. The CRO (Rob Rubbini) reserves the right to edit the statements for length. The statements will be published for viewing online along with the ballot. They will also be published on the VUSAC website (www.vusac.ca) and on the Victoria College Fall Elections Facebook event page.
6. **The statements must be submitted electronically via email to cro@vusac.ca with "candidate statement" and "your name" in the subject line by no later than Sunday, September 18th, 2011 at 5:30pm.** Any late submissions will not be included in the online ballot. Candidates are encouraged to submit a statement.
7. There will be a **mandatory Poll Clerks meeting on Monday, September 19th, 2011 at 9:15pm**. The meeting will be held in the Birge-Carnegie Cat's Eye. Candidates will receive one strike for every poll-clerk who does not attend the poll-clerk meeting. **If a poll clerk cannot attend this meeting, a proxy must be sent in their place. Candidates may proxy for one or more of their poll clerks. Proxies are responsible for getting poll clerks up to speed on what was discussed at the Poll Clerks meeting. Failure to do so may lead to warnings, strikes, and possible disqualification (see below).**
8. All candidates are invited to a Town Hall at the Birge-Carnegie Cat's Eye on **Friday, September 23rd, 2011 at 6:00pm**. Candidates for VUSAC MAL and Governing Councils will be able to present themselves with a one (1) minute speech. VUSAC executive candidates will be allotted two (2)



minutes for a speech. The CRO reserves the right to alter speaking times at the Town Hall Meeting. There may or may not be questions from the audience. This meeting is not mandatory but **VERY HIGHLY** recommended.

9. Candidates must have posters and other printed campaigning material initialled either by the CRO (Rob Rubbini), the Campus Life Coordinator (CLC, Kristina Minnella), or Residence Life Coordinator (RLC, Scott Johnston). Candidates are encouraged to bring material to the All-Candidates meeting. Should a candidate have more material to be initialled, the CLC and RLC can be found in their respective offices in the Birge Carnegie building during the day. The CRO also holds regular hours in the VUSAC office from 1:30pm-2:30pm on Thursdays, and from 11:30am-1:30pm on Fridays. In the event neither the CLC or RLC can be found, other arrangements can be made by emailing cro@vusac.ca.

Campaigning begins at the end of the All-Candidates Meeting on Friday, September 16th, 2011, and will continue until 11:59pm, Monday, September 26th, 2011. Any candidate found campaigning during the voting period will be severely penalized and/or disqualified.

Elected candidates will be notified as soon as results are available. All elected VUSAC members must attend the VUSAC meeting on Saturday, October 1st, 2011 during the VUSAC fall retreat.

Questions or concerns may be directed to the CRO by e-mail at cro@vusac.ca. Good luck!

Rob Rubbini,

Chief Returning Officer



2011 VUSAC Fall Elections

Position Descriptions

VUSAC

The Victoria University Students' Administrative Council (VUSAC) serves and represents the full-time and part-time undergraduate students at Victoria College to ensure the best possible undergraduate experience. VUSAC meets every fortnight for two to three hours. If elected, you will be expected to attend VUSAC meetings regularly!

Executive

The Council consists of 19 elected students; 11 Executive Positions (the President, two Vice-Presidents, Clubs, Communications, Commuter, Education & Equity, Arts & Culture, Scarlet & Gold, Special Projects, and Sustainability) elected in March, and 8 Members-at-Large elected in September. In addition, the Finance Chair and Chairperson are appointed to facilitate the council's day-to-day functions.

Members-at-Large

Members-at-Large are not elected to a specific commission, but are assigned to a commission by the Judiciary. They assist commissioners in their activities, and may also be asked to sit on a variety of committees or fulfill other roles on VUSAC.

Board of Regents/ Victoria College Council/ Victoria University Senate

The framework of our governance at Victoria University in the University of Toronto is found in the Victoria University Act, which creates four governing bodies within the University: the Board of Regents; the Senate; the Council of Victoria College; and the Council of Emmanuel College.

Members of the Board of Regents, VCC and the VUS are elected by the constituency they represent, for example: faculty, alumni of Victoria and Emmanuel College and students. The coming elections will also elect students that will sit on these committees. These include:

- 2 seats for the Victoria College Council
- 3 seats for the Victoria University Senate

For more detailed information, check out the constitution at www.vusac.ca, email president@vusac.ca, or attend one of the two information sessions in the Birge-Carnegie Cat's Eye. These are scheduled for Tuesday, September 13th, 2011 at 11:30am and Wednesday, September 14th, 2011 at 6:30pm.



2011 VUSAC Fall Elections

CAMPAIGN RULES

CAMPAIGNING PERIOD: Campaigning commences at the end of the All-Candidates Meeting on Friday, September 16th, and ends at 11:59pm on Monday, September 26th, 2011. “Campaigning” includes putting up new posters or banners, handing out campaign literature, and verbally promoting yourself or any other candidate. Furthermore, **campaigning during the voting period is strictly prohibited.** Candidates found in violation of these rules will be disqualified.

Note: Candidates encouraging others to vote on their personal laptops qualifies as campaigning. Candidates should instead direct voters to the 5 polling stations across campus.

ELECTION SPENDING: All candidates must adhere to the following rules regarding campaign spending:

- Candidates may not spend more than twenty-five (\$25) dollars on campaign materials, of which no more than ten (\$10) dollars may be spent on photocopied pages.
- Goods and services received for free or at a discounted price must be detailed and included in the candidate’s official list of expenses. The CRO will value such goods and services at estimated market value and they will count toward the \$25 limit regardless of if the candidate has actually had to pay.
- **All candidates must provide the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) with a list detailing ALL expenses, free goods and services at their market value, and dated receipts for expenses during the campaign. These are to be submitted no later than Wednesday, September 28th, 2011, by 5:00pm in the CRO Mailbox in the VUSAC office. Failure to do so may result in immediate disqualification.**

CAMPAIGN MATERIALS: All posters or banners MUST be initialled by the CRO (Rob Rubbini), the Campus Life Coordinator (Kristina Minnella), or the Residence Life Coordinator (Scott Johnston). Without initials, the posters will be removed immediately and candidates will be subject to penalties.

POSTERS: Candidates may place no more than:

- **ONE (1)** poster per residence floor or house and only in the designated poster areas.
 - This means you need the following amounts if you plan to put one on every floor/ in every house: RJ (8), Marg Ad (6), Upper Burwash (4), Lower Burwash (4), Annesley (3).
 - Please note: Bowles-Gandier counts as ONE (1) residence house.
- **TEN (10)** posters in each of the following buildings:
 - ❖ Birge-Carnegie (including The Cat’s Eye and Commuter Lounge)
 - ❖ Old Vic
 - ❖ Sidney Smith Hall
- Posters may not be placed on lampposts, trees, subway stations, glass doors, and other property not belonging to the University of Toronto or Victoria University.



- Posters may not be placed in neutral zones (see below).
- A poster is defined as any campaign material attached to walls, doors, or otherwise affixed to a surface. Campaign material may be slipped under residence doors, but may not be left visible in swipe key slots or other locations.

Random checks of postering rules will be made by the CRO and Elections and Appeals Committee (EAC). Posters exceeding these limits or outside sanctioned areas will be destroyed and will result in penalties.

NOTE: Removing or tampering with other candidate's posters is strictly prohibited and will result in immediate disqualification.

NEUTRAL ZONES: The following areas are neutral zones. No postering or campaigning may occur in these zones:

- ❖ Pratt Library
- ❖ Northrop Frye Hall
- ❖ Burwash Dining Hall
- ❖ VUSAC Office
- ❖ Wymilwood Café
- ❖ Dons' Rooms (including doors, bulletin boards, etc)

ENDORSEMENTS: Candidates are not permitted to seek out endorsements from or actively campaign with current VUSAC members, Dons, Assessor Members to VUSAC (including Levy Heads, Orientation Co-Chair, Governing Council Student Coordinators, Building Presidents, and UTSU directors), or staff members (including Food Services employees and Registrarial staff.) None of the above may appear in campaign literature, posters, or other promotional material. Any candidate found in violation of this rule will be severely penalized.

VUSAC GROUPS AND LISTSERVs: Campaigning through the VUSAC caucus list or through the listservs of any VUSAC-recognized group, including clubs and levy receivers, is NOT permitted. No campaigning may occur by VUSAC-recognized group members at events or activities hosted by those groups.

ONLINE CAMPAIGNING: Restricted campaigning using personal pages on online sites such as Facebook and Twitter is permitted

FACEBOOK: Profile pictures and notes are allowed, but the creation of personal Facebook groups or events is NOT allowed. If campaigning occurs using personal pages, you MUST add the CRO (Rob Rubbini) as a "friend", and tag the CRO in all election-related notes or photos. Profile pictures and statuses must be changed by 11:59pm on Monday, September 26th, the end of the campaign period.

TWITTER: All campaign-related tweets must be tagged with #VUSAElections



PERSONAL WEBSITES: Personal websites are permitted, but they cannot be linked to any Victoria University affiliated club, levy, or organization. Hosting costs (if any) must be included in a candidate's campaign spending submitted to the CRO.

SLATES: Candidates are not allowed to campaign in a slate or as a team. This includes going door-to-door as a group, and appearing in promotional material, campaign literature, or videos for another candidate.

CHALK: Chalking or similar defacement on any building or sidewalk on the Victoria College campus will result in immediate disqualification.

SLANDER: Slandering a candidate will result in immediate disqualification.

RESULTS: Candidates shall be contacted by the CRO with results as soon as they are available. A reasonable attempt will be made to notify each candidate via phone as to the results of the election before the results are made public.

Results will be officially posted by Monday, October 3rd, 2011 in Birge-Carnegie outside the VUSAC office as well as on the official VUSAC website.

POLL CLERKS: Poll clerks must attend the mandatory poll-clerk meeting on Monday, September 19th, 2011 at 9:15pm in the Birge-Carnegie Cat's Eye. Should your poll-clerk be unable to attend, you may send a proxy in their place. You will receive one strike for every poll-clerk or proxy who does NOT attend the poll-clerk meeting.

Poll clerks must attend their ENTIRE poll-clerk shift. Failure to attend a shift will result in one strike per poll-clerk who does not attend their shift. Exceptions may be made for emergency circumstances. If your poll-clerk has an emergency during their shift, the candidate or the poll-clerk must notify the CRO as soon as possible. Poll-clerks are strongly recommended to sign-up for shifts which are not directly preceded or succeeded by classes or other time commitments, as they are responsible for the polling station for the full duration of their assigned hours.

APPEALS: Appeals regarding election results (including requests for recounts) may be made up to forty-eight (48) hours after voting closes. Results are final after forty-eight (48) hours.

Appeals regarding warnings, strikes, or disqualifications may be made up to forty-eight (48) hours after the candidate in question is notified of the warning, strike, or disqualification. Any appeals received more than 48 hours after notification will not be accepted.

REVIEW OF RULES: A review of the above rules will be made at the All-Candidates Meeting on Friday, September 16th, 2011 at 6:00pm in the Birge-Carnegie Cat's Eye. If a candidate is unable to attend, he or she MUST send a proxy and submit written explanation of their absence to the CRO mailbox by 5:30pm on September 16th.



DISQUALIFICATION: Failure to comply with any of the above may result in warnings or strikes (two warnings are equivalent to one strike). Disqualification from the elections will occur if a third strike is issued to a candidate. In the event of serious violations of the campaign rules (i.e. slanderous campaigning or campaigning during the election period), the CRO and the EAC reserve the right to immediately disqualify the candidate in question. Lesser events will be dealt with as per the above stated rules.

VIOLATION OF RULES MAY RESULT IN PENALIZATION AS FOLLOWS:

Minor Offense	→	Warning
Major Offense	→	Strike
Serious Offense	→	Immediate disqualification

If a candidate is unsure of whether or not something may violate the campaign rules, and/or requires further clarification, contact the CRO BEFORE acting, otherwise penalties may result.



2011 VUSAC Spring Elections Summary of Dates and Procedures

Monday, September 5th, 2011	Nominations Open at 9:30am
Tuesday, September 13th, 2011	
Wednesday, September 14th, 2011	Elections Information Session, 11:30am (Birge Cat's Eye)
Friday, September 16th, 2011	Elections Information Session, 6:30pm (Birge Cat's Eye)
Friday, September 16th, 2011	Nominations Close at 5:30pm
Friday, September 16th, 2011	All-Candidates Meeting at 6:00pm (Birge Cat's Eye)
Sunday, September 18th, 2011	Campaigning begins at end of All-Candidates Meeting
Monday, September 19th, 2011	Candidate Statements due at 5:30pm
Friday, September 23rd, 2011	Poll-Clerk Meeting at 9:15pm (Birge Cat's Eye)
Monday, September 26th, 2011	Town Hall / VOCA Dinner at 6:00pm (Birge Cat's Eye)
Tuesday, September 27th, 2011	Campaigning ends, 11:59pm
Wednesday, September 28th, 2011	Voting begins at 12:01am on voting.utoronto.ca
Wednesday, September 28th, 2011	Receipts and Financial Info due by 5:00pm
Wednesday, September 28th, 2011	Voting ends, 5:00pm
Friday, September 30th, 2011	CRO contacts candidates with results after 5:00pm
Saturday, October 1st, 2011	Appeals period ends, 5:00pm
Saturday, October 1st, 2011	VUSAC meeting
Monday, October 3rd, 2011	VUSAC Fall Retreat
	Results posted outside the VUSAC office, VUSAC website

REMEMBER!!!

- ✓ Detach, complete, and return the last page of this package to the VUSAC office before 5:30pm on Friday, September 16th, 2011.
- ✓ Make sure to have e-mailed your candidate statement to cro@vusac.ca before 5:30pm on Sunday, September 18th, 2011.
- ✓ Ensure all posters and materials are initialled by the CRO (Rob Rubbini), the CLC (Kristina Minnella), or the RLC (Scott Johnston) before being photocopied.
- ✓ The CRO will be available to answer any additional questions and initial posters and material at the following times: after the All-Candidates Meeting, during the Town Hall and during office hours (1:30-2:30 on Thursdays, and 11:30-1:30 on Fridays) at the VUSAC office
- ✓ The CLC and RLC will be sporadically in and out of their respective offices daily so candidates may also drop by at their convenience to have their material initialled or, alternately, contact the CRO at cro@vusac.ca to set up a time for signing.

NOTE TO PROSPECTIVE VUSAC MEMBERS – Should you be elected, you will be expected to be available for the following:

- ✓ VUSAC Meeting: Saturday, October 1st, 2011 on the Fall Retreat
- ✓ VUSAC Fall Retreat: Saturday, October 1st, 2011 to Sunday, October 2nd, 2011.

Good luck and happy campaigning!

Rob Rubbini



Nomination Form

Victoria University Students' Administrative Council Fall Elections

PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY

Candidate's Name: _____

Student Number: _____ Year of Study: _____

Position(s) Sought: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Signature: _____

Nominators **MUST** be Victoria College Students

Name	Signature	Student Number
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
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7		
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Please detach this page from your Nomination Package and return it BOTH SIDES COMPLETED to the CRO's mailbox in the VUSAC Office by 5:30pm on Friday, September 16th, 2011.

Please provide the contact information for three (3) poll clerks each of whom will be contacted to staff the polling stations on campus for at most a two-hour time period between Tuesday September 27th and Wednesday September 28th, 2011. Ensure that your poll clerks are members of the Victoria College Union (VCU). Failure to provide poll clerks will result in DISQUALIFICATION.

Poll Clerks

PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY

Name	Student Number	Phone Number	E-mail Address

A MANDATORY poll-clerk meeting will occur on Monday, September 19th, 2011 at 9:15pm in the Birge-Carnegie Cat's Eye.

Should your poll-clerk be unable to attend, they MUST send someone in their place. This person will serve as proxy (a candidate may proxy for their poll-clerk). **The candidate is ultimately responsible to ensure that the poll-clerk receives all necessary information from the meeting and attends their designated poll-clerk shift during the election.**

Failure of a poll-clerk or proxy to attend the mandatory poll-clerk meeting may lead to strikes and possible disqualification. Failure of a poll-clerk to attend the entirety of their poll-clerking shift on campus during voting may lead to strikes and possible disqualification.

Please detach this page from your Nomination Package and return it BOTH SIDES COMPLETED to the CRO mailbox in the VUSAC Office by 5:30pm on Friday, September 16th, 2011.



Appendix III: Market Value Price Sheet

Market Value Price Sheet for VUSAC Fall Elections 2011

Market value is assigned by the CRO – candidates may find cheaper copies or printing service elsewhere, but are required to submit a list (including receipts) detailing the number of copies printed and other services used so they may be assessed at market value. For purposes of fairness between candidates, budgets will be determined by the market value assigned by the CRO listed below, **NOT** by the actual prices paid by candidates (including printing at home).

Reminder about budget limitations: Candidates may spend a total of \$25 on their campaigns, with a maximum of \$10 dedicated to printed or photocopied pages and flyers of all sizes and types. Any goods or services received for free or at discounted price must be included in the list of expenses delivered to the CRO's mailbox by Wednesday, September 28th at 5:00pm

Item	Market Value
4.25" x 5.5" - Black and White	\$ 0.05 per page
4.25" x 5.5" – Colour	\$ 0.20 per page
8.5" x 5.5" - Black and White	\$ 0.10 per page
8.5" x 5.5" – Colour	\$ 0.40 per page
8.5" x 11" - Black and White	\$ 0.15 per page
8.5" x 11" – Colour	\$ 0.60 per page
8.5" x 14" - Black and White	\$ 0.25 per page
8.5" x 14" – Colour	\$ 1.00 per page
11" x 17" - Black and White	\$ 0.50 per page
11" x 17" – Colour	\$ 2.00 per page
Hand-outs (Candy, Drinks, etc)	Cost paid by candidate
Banner Making Materials (Paint, Fabric, etc)	Cost paid by candidate

NOTES

- This list is not comprehensive; candidates with unusual or unlisted budget items should contact the CRO at cro@vusac.ca to determine budget procedures if any uncertainty exists.
- For any of the above listed page prices, add \$0.05 per page if cardstock or glossy paper is used.

Reminder of postering rules:

- Maximum 10 posters in the Birge-Carnegie (including Cat's Eye and Commuter Lounge)
- Maximum 10 posters in Old Vic
- Maximum 10 posters in Sidney Smith
- Maximum 1 poster per residence floor or house, including outside walls and doors (total of 25 for all the residences)
- See the election package for a full list of rules, neutral zones, etc.
- Remember to get any posters signed by the CRO, CLC or RLC **before** photocopying them!



Appendix IV: All-Candidates Meeting Minutes

Minutes from All-Candidates Meeting

Sept 16

Rules:

Campaign period

- Starts at end of meeting, can poster immediately
- State everything you spend, as per paper
- Campaigning ends on Monday the 26th at 11:59 pm
- Social media: Facebook, texts, profile pictures: all count as campaigning
 - o Contact Rob if unsure
- Once campaigning is over, need to change status – “vote in elections” is ok
- Don't carry around laptops telling people to vote in elections
- Can tell people to vote in elections but not “vote for me” once voting period begins

Budget:

- As per sheet, \$10 for posters
- Different costs for glossy, colour, etc.
- Market value for everything, even if it's free
- No banners indoors, neutral zones like Burwash, etc.

Posters

- Must be signed by the CRO, CLC (Kristina Minnella), or RLC (Scott Johnston)
- Print one, get it signed, then photocopy the signed poster
 - o Don't print 50 because then all have to be signed individually
- One per floor/house
- Postering in Burwash arch counts as North House poster, gate counts as Gate House poster
- No posters on lampposts, trees, subway stations (i.e. nothing on city property that doesn't belong to Vic)
- Don't mess with other candidates' posters – don't take them down, rip them, cover them with your posters, or deface them in any way
 - o And don't get your friends to do it, because Rob will find out!
- Neutral zones: Pratt, Northrop Frye, Burwash, Wymilwood, VUSAC office, Dons' rooms/boards
- Endorsement: **Vic staff, VUSAC and assessor members are prohibited from endorsing candidates** (appearing in posters, videos, or other campaign materials)
 - o This includes Building Presidents (but not House Presidents), levy heads, VUSAC affiliated groups (eg. Cannot use a club's mailing list to promote yourself), Food Services, etc.

Social Media/Internet

- Facebook: can use statuses, notes, wall posts
 - o No events or groups
 - o **Must add Rob as a friend and tag in profile pictures, statuses, etc.**
- Twitter: add **#vusacelections** so that Rob can follow the posts
- Do not use mailing lists for VUSAC affiliated groups
- Can make personal site, but if there is a hosting cost, it must be included in your budget

Other (more rules stuff)

- No slates – i.e. no walking around together saying “vote for us”
- No chalking whatsoever – immediate disqualification
- No slander – talking about other candidates in a negative way



- Results: Rob will call you twice, then email if he can't reach you, with the results
- Poll clerks: must show up at the mandatory meeting, can be proxied
 - o One candidate can proxy for all three poll clerks
 - o If you get your poll clerks coffee/candy as a thank you, you don't need to include that in your budget
 - o **If poll clerk doesn't show up, you get a strike**
- Warnings/strikes/disqualification: can appeal within 48 hours of notification
 - o 2 warnings = 1 strike
 - o 6 warnings = 3 strikes = disqualification
 - o Strikes: postering over others' posters, poll clerks not showing up, etc.
 - o Disqualification: slander, chalking, etc.
- Email if you're unsure about anything, call if urgent!
- If a flyer is not affixed, it doesn't count towards the "one poster per floor" limit, but it does still count towards your budget
- Spot colour on poster: even if it only has a bit of colour, it still counts as a colour poster
 - o There is no in-between between colour and b&w prices
- Candidate statement: 100 words – **due Sunday at 5 pm** – email to cro@vusac.ca

Town Hall

- Friday, September 23rd
- VOCA dinner, 6 pm, followed by Elections Town Hall
- If you are running for MAL, think about which commission you want to work with
- If running for commissioner, think about your vision for the commission
- If running for VUS/VCC, think about what your goals are for the Senate/Council
- Speeches: 1:00 for MAL/VCC/VUS candidates, 1:30 for commissioner candidates

More (questions re: elections)

- Voting begins at 12:01 a.m. on Tuesday (Monday night)
 - o Voting.utoronto.ca
- **Let Rob know if anyone has trouble voting**
- Give Rob receipts
 - o If you got your stuff for free and don't have receipts, give Rob a list of the numbers of all your posters
- **Banners need to be signed**
 - o Don't make purposely large banners to take up space so that no one else can use space
 - o Cost of supplies TBD, on a case-by-case basis (paint, markers, etc.)
- Polling stations will have laptops from library on which people can vote
- There will be a 48 hour appeal period once elections close
- MAL candidates: keep the **weekend of October 22nd** free for retreat
- First VUSAC meeting: will be on a weeknight the week after elections, 9:15 pm, date TBD
- Questions? Email, text, or call Rob (preferably email)
 - o If urgent, call 416-318-2882
- GOOD LUCK!



Appendix V: Official Results

VUSAC ELECTION RESULTS

Fall 2011

Total Votes Cast – 517 (14.26% turnout)

VUSAC POSITIONS

Communications Commissioner (1 Position Available)

278 – Ruta Rudminaite

Spoiled Ballots: 104

Sustainability Commissioner (1 Position Available)

232 – Tegan Hansen-Hodeman

208 – Zachary Medow

Spoiled Ballots: 77

Members-At-Large (8 Positions Available; 2 must be First Years)

274 – Christian Julien

153 – Zenia Turkewych-Miner

146 – Christianne Johnson

141 – Adam Martin (First Year)

137 – Kathleen Walsh (First Year)

135 – Mariam Aramyan

119 – Ryan Palkowski

119 – Sohaib Ahmed

107 – Kevin Hempstead

104 – Christine De la Cruz

102 – Elena Churilova

91 – Arezou Amin

88 – Christine Li (First Year)

83 – Abbasali Bukhari (First Year)

80 – Jennifer Klein (First Year)

79 – Robert Cao (First Year)

50 – Elveena Yessoo



40 – Kareem Jarrah (First Year)
Spoiled Ballots: 20

GOVERNING COUNCIL POSITIONS

Victoria College Council (2 Positions Available)

195 – Zenia Turkewych-Miner

153 – James Flynn

134 – Sohaib Ahmed

84 – Elveena Yessoo

Spoiled Ballots: 89

Victoria University Senate (3 Positions Available)

221 – Zenia Turkewych-Miner

186 – Adam Martin

162 – James Flynn

147 – Sohaib Ahmed

95 – Pawel Stech

Spoiled Ballots: 97

Questions or Concerns? Contact Chief Returning Officer Rob Rubbini at cro@vusac.ca

