

2024 AGM Bylaw Amendments

Article V

Eligibility

4. Eligibility: To qualify to run for election and/or apply for an appointed position on the Board of Directors, excluding President, a member of the association must:

a) Be a full-time student at Centennial College, registered in a college approved minimum number of courses related to full-time status during the day, working towards a diploma, certificate or degree.

New accessibility language included in the Bylaws to remove barriers for students that may have a different definition of "full-time" enrollment status.

i. If a student is registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning and Counselling Services (CALCS) and has full-time status they will only be required to be registered in the minimum number of courses as dictated by CALCS;

Re-inclusion of restrictions surrounding cooperative education/placements/internship programs. It was determined that participating in any of the above for more than three (3) days in a week would interfere with an individual's ability to fulfil their role duties.

e) Not be enrolled in a cooperative education/placement/internship program for a period of three (3) or more days in the week that would interfere with the board member's ability to perform their duties;

5. To continue to serve on the Board of Directors, excluding President, the successful candidate/applicant must:

a) Be enrolled continuously in a Centennial College approved full time program, working towards a diploma, certificate or degree for at least two out of three semesters of the academic year in which they are serving. One of the semesters in which they must be enrolled in is the winter semester of their term;

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i. If a student is registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning and Counselling Services (CALCS) and has full-time status they will only be required to be registered in the minimum number of courses as dictated by CALCS;

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6. Eligibility for President: The elected/appointed Board of Directors are eligible to run for the President. The following requirements need to be fulfilled by candidates for President at the time of nomination:

Removal of Club Liaisons from submitting and application for President in the scenario outlined in section "k". Amended to only Student Advocates and Advising Council Members as they do not need to be full-time students and are able to take on the full-time responsibility of the President's position

- k) Any board member of the CCSAI interested in running for the position of President must advise the Executive Director/CEO in writing of their intention to run by **the deadline determined by the Elections Coordinator and Advocacy Coordinator, outlined in the approved Elections schedule.** If no board member is interested in running for President by the deadline, **FULL TIME STUDENTS** that are; Advocates and Advising Council Members are eligible to submit an application, including current elected or appointed board members. Those interested must submit an application at least seven (7) business days prior to the opening of nominations.
 - i. Advocates and Advising Council members must be full time students and have worked with the CCSAI for at least one (1) year to be eligible to submit an application.

7. Criteria for President to continue to serve on the Board of Directors, they must:

Removal of one professional development workshop/session as presidents undergo ongoing and extensive training internally.

- a) ~~Complete a minimum of one professional development workshop/session at Centennial College/Centre for Faculty Development and Teaching Innovation or other Board development training in at least two or three semesters in which they are serving;~~

8. Automatic Removal: Any member of the Board of Directors shall automatically cease to be a board member upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

More specific language surrounding the definition of "academic nature".

- b) The board member is absent from three (3) regular meetings within the first two (2) semesters of their term without justification to the Board in an in-camera session. This excludes reasons of academic nature which includes exams, tests, and rescheduled classes.

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11. **Filling Vacancies:** Provided there is a quorum of board members:

Exceptions added pertaining to the process of filling vacancies to allow positions that become vacant during or near the general elections period, to be filled via elections and not an appointed process.

- d) If a vacancy arises for the position of Vice President near or during a general elections period, the position shall be filled via elections and not through an appointment process
 - i. The term “near” shall be defined as December 1st and onward within the terms of office defined in Article V.13
 - ii. The “general elections period” shall be defined as January until April within the terms of office defined in Article V.1