

A Resolution to Approve the Election Bylaws for the 2024-2025 Academic Year with the Proposed Amendments from the 2023-2024 Constitutional Bylaw Review Commission

Chief Justice Utkarsh Mahey (for himself, and Vice President Justin Robinson) introduced the following resolution to the Oversight Committee where it passed. Then, to the floor where it passed/failed.

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Whereas the Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students at The Ohio State University; and

Whereas the Chief Justice of the Judicial Panel shall submit Election Bylaws to the General Assembly for approval on a yearly basis; and

Whereas these rules govern the operating procedures and rules of the Undergraduate Student Government Election for the upcoming year; and

Whereas, the proposed election bylaws aim to establish a clear and accessible guideline for the conduct of elections, ensuring a fair and transparent election system; and

Whereas Article VIII of the Undergraduate Student Government Constitution states “In years ending with two or seven, or prematurely under special circumstances, a Constitution and Bylaws Review Commission (CBRC) shall be formed.”; and

Whereas the CBRC was delayed by two years, resulting in the dire need for this committee to be established in a timely manner to maintain the upkeep of the Constitution, Organizational Bylaws, and Election Bylaws; and

Whereas all proposed changes to the Organizational and Election Bylaws will be brought to the General Assembly for approval; and

Whereas the CBRC was officially convened at the end of the Fall Semester 2023 and reconvened at the start of the Spring Semester 2024 with members including Ian Logan, Regina Loayza, Alex Poling, Angela Harper, Trayce Cowgill, Sami Ginsberg, Joseph Markovitz, and Julius McIntyre; and

Whereas Vice President Madison Mason served as the non-voting Chair of the CBRC; and

Whereas the CBRC after multiple meetings officially voted on amendments to the Constitution, Organizational Bylaws, and Election Bylaws; and

Whereas all amendments to the Constitution, Organizational Bylaws, and Election Bylaws were approved by the CBRC unanimously; and

Whereas the CBRC’s recommended amendments to the Election Bylaws were combined with the Chief Justice of the Judicial Panel’s submission of Election Bylaws to the General Assembly.

Therefore, Let it Be Resolved that the General Assembly pass the Election Bylaws submitted by the Judicial Panel with the recommendations of the Constitutional Bylaw Review Commission as submitted in Appendix A.

Floor Vote: Aye: 27 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0 Present: 27

Bobby McAlpine
President

George Bernard
Speaker of the 57th General Assembly

Date Adopted: 11/20/2024