

2013 – 2014



Election & Appointments Forms

Bowdoin Student Government

Instructions for candidates:

- ☐ Read the **Election Rules & Regulations** document.
- ☐ Have your peers complete the **petition**.
- ☐ Sign the **acknowledgment** of the Election Rules & Regulations.

Nota bene: Failure to adhere to the Bowdoin College Academic Honor & Social Code and the Election Rules & Regulations from the start of campaign season will result in the immediate disqualification of your candidacy.

Election Rules and Regulations

A. Definitions

- i. Campaign materials shall be defined as materials purchased and/or used by the candidate or his/her campaign, for the purpose of advancing said candidacy.
- ii. Campaigning shall be defined as any act used by the candidate, or his/her campaign, for the purpose of advancing said candidacy.
- iii. A constituency is the pool of eligible voters for each respective office.
- iv. Private shall be defined as that which is not in the general view, not widely known, and not facilitated by College.
- v. Public shall be defined as that which is not private. For the purposes of BSG elections all College forums or forums sponsored by College Organizations shall be considered public.
- vi. A campaign shall be defined as any person acting on a candidate's behalf.

B. Qualifications

- i. No person shall be a candidate for more than one office simultaneously.
- ii. Candidates must submit a petition to the election coordinator by the designated deadline to be eligible to run.
 - a. Class Councils: Candidates must secure at least fifty signatures from their respective constituency.
 - b. Bowdoin Student Government Officers and Elected At-Large Representatives: Candidates must secure at least fifty signatures from the entire student body.
- iii. Candidates for the Bowdoin Student Government President must have previously served as a member of the Bowdoin Student Government.
- iv. Candidates are required to attend an Information Session.
- v. Candidates must be enrolled in the College for the entire academic year for which they are running excepting the BSG Representatives and Vice President of the Junior Class.

C. Campaigning

- i. Candidates shall not use College funds or resources for campaign purposes. This does not include the use of college-funded media outlets.
- ii. Candidates shall not provide gifts or giveaways to constituents while campaigning.
- iii. Candidates shall not hold election campaign parties. Furthermore, organizations cannot hold such parties on behalf of the candidate.
- iv. Candidates shall not tamper with or electronically manipulate the voting process.
- v. Campaign materials must be removed when the election ends.
- vi. Campaign materials, especially posters, are not to be hung on glass doors.
- vii. Campaigning through mass e-mails is expressly prohibited. This includes the use of group aliases or mailing lists, including those belonging to dorms, houses, classes, and clubs.
- viii. Candidates are bound to the Social and Honor Codes.
- ix. Candidates will be provided with limited funding (\$10) at the College Copy Center for campaign materials.

D. Other

- i. Elections must last for at least twenty-four hours.
- ii. The Elections Commission shall be composed of all non-candidate members of the Executive Committee along with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Judicial Board. The Director of Student Activities shall sit as a non-voting member. In the event that the number of non-candidate Executive Committee members falls below three, all senior members of the BSG Assembly will join the Commission.
- iii. This body has the final authority related to these matters.
- iv. The Elections Commission may choose to publicly warn and/or disqualify a candidate who violates the Election Rules and/or they may cancel and reschedule an election in which a candidate has committed a violation.
- v. All candidates have a right to a hearing in the event that they are accused of violating an election rule.
- vi. Candidates may ask the Elections Commission to reconsider their ruling.



BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Petition for Candidacy – Fall 2013

Name: _____ Class Year: _____

Position (please select only one):

General Assembly of BSG	Class Council
<input type="checkbox"/> Representative At-Large	<input type="checkbox"/> President
	<input type="checkbox"/> Vice President
	<input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer
	<input type="checkbox"/> Class Representative to the BSG General Assembly

1. _____	18. _____	35. _____
2. _____	19. _____	36. _____
3. _____	20. _____	37. _____
4. _____	21. _____	38. _____
5. _____	22. _____	39. _____
6. _____	23. _____	40. _____
7. _____	24. _____	41. _____
8. _____	25. _____	42. _____
9. _____	26. _____	43. _____
10. _____	27. _____	44. _____
11. _____	28. _____	45. _____
12. _____	29. _____	46. _____
13. _____	30. _____	47. _____
14. _____	31. _____	48. _____
15. _____	32. _____	49. _____
16. _____	33. _____	50. _____
17. _____	34. _____	

I have read and fully understood the rules and regulations as stipulated in the “Elections Rules and Regulations” document, and agree on my honor to abide by these said provisions for the duration of this election.

Name (print): _____ Class Year _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please remember to return this page to the Smith Union Information Desk, along with your petition, **on or before Thursday, 19 September at 5pm.**