

Article V Elections

Section 1: General Provisions

- A) There shall be three types of elections in UIMT.
- B) These shall be:
 - 1. General Elections
 - 2. Special Elections
 - 3. Elections of Disciplinary Representatives
- C) Any member of UIMT who is eligible to vote shall be allowed to vote for any office for which he or she is not running.
- D) Elections shall be held at a formal meeting of the General Assembly.
 - 1. Once the presiding officer has convened the General Assembly he or she shall step down as chairperson of the General Assembly and the Head Coach shall serve as chairperson of the elections.
- E) An Assistant Coach shall be appointed to tabulate the votes.
 - 1. A different Assistant Coach or the Head Coach shall be assigned to double-check the count.
- F) In the event of a tie:
 - 1. A second vote is cast in a run-off.
 - a. All members who are not part of the run-off.
 - 2. An Assistant Coach or the election chairperson shall be assigned to break any ties that may occur from the run-off.
- G) If a Head Coach is not available to chair an election, the Executive Council shall appoint a member of UIMT to chair that election.
 - 1. A person may decline to accept such an appointment.
 - 2. A person who accepts an appointment to chair an election waives their right to run for office in that election.
 - 3. A person who accepts an appointment to chair an election waives their right to vote in that election.
 - 4. This person must be selected at least seven (7) days prior to the election.
- H) If an Assistant Coach is not available to tabulate the votes in an election the Executive Council shall appoint a member of UIMT to tabulate the votes in that election.
 - 1. A person may decline to accept such an appointment.
 - 2. A person who accepts an appointment to chair an election waives their right to run for office in that election.
 - 3. A person who accepts an appointment to chair an election waives their right to vote in that election.
 - 4. This person must be selected at least seven (7) days prior to the election.

- I) If an Assistant Coach or Head Coach is not available to double-check the count of the votes in the election, then the Executive Council shall appoint a member of UIMT to check the count through the aforementioned protocol in this Article.
- J) Members of UIMT who are unable to physically attend an election may vote by proxy.
 - 1. Proxy votes must be received by the person tabulating the votes and the person checking that count at any time in the three days preceding an election.
- K) At all times during all elections there shall be in effect a one-person one-vote rule.
- L) Officers in all elections shall be chosen by a majority vote.
- M) Votes shall be cast by a secret ballot format.

Section 2: General Elections

- A) General Elections shall be held once annually, after the final tournament of the season but before the commencement of semester tests.
 - 1. The date shall be determined by the Executive Council through the passage of a bylaw.
- B) Every office shall be up for election in General Elections
- C) All nominations for an office shall be submitted to the chairperson of the election immediately preceding the vote for that office.
- D) A person may decline to accept a nomination for office at that time.
- E) A person may run for as many offices as that person is nominated for until he or she has been elected to an office.
 - 1. If a person is elected to an office, that person shall be prohibited from accepting any further nominations.
- F) A person elected for office in a General Election shall officially assume that office on the final day of the academic calendar for the Spring Semester.
 - 1. Prior to assuming office, each new officer must meet with their office's predecessor to discuss the duties of the office.

Section 3: Special Elections

- A) Special Elections shall be had any time an office of UIMT has been vacated before the fulfillment of its term.
 - 1. Special Elections shall be held as necessary by the passage of bylaws.
- B) Only those offices affected by the premature vacancy on the Executive Council shall be up for election in Special Elections.
 - 1. Those offices shall be named in the bylaw mandating the Special Election.
- C) All nominations must be submitted to the chairperson of the election at least five (5) days prior to the date of the election.

- D) The chairperson of the election shall inform every member of UIMT of the nominees for each office up for election at least three (3) days prior to the date of the election.
 - 1. At that time a person may decline to accept the nomination for an office.
- E) A person may not accept more than one nomination.
 - 1. If a person has been nominated for more than office, and wishes to run, he or she must choose one nomination to accept and decline the others.
- F) A person elected for office in a Special Election shall officially assume that office immediately after the conclusion of that election.

Section 4: Elections of Disciplinary Representatives

- A) Article V §1.D.1 through §1.I does not apply to Elections of Disciplinary Representatives.
- B) An Election of Disciplinary Representatives shall be held any time a vote must be taken by the Executive Council on disciplinary procedures and there are no coaches available to assume the votes of those officers prohibited from voting.
 - 1. Elections of Disciplinary Representatives shall be held as necessary by the passage of bylaws.
- C) Elections of Disciplinary Representatives shall be chaired by the officer who convenes the General Assembly.
- D) The election chairperson shall not vote for a Disciplinary Representative.
- E) Votes shall be tabulated by the chair.
- F) Ties shall be broken by the chair.
- G) Members of UIMT shall be notified of an Election of Disciplinary Representatives at least seven days prior to such an election.
- H) Nominations must be submitted to the chairperson of the election at least four (4) days prior to an Election of Disciplinary Representatives.
- I) The chair must inform every member of UIMT who those nominees are at least two (2) days prior to an Election of Disciplinary Representatives.
 - 1. A person may decline to accept a nomination as Disciplinary Representative at that time.
- J) A person elected as a Disciplinary Representative shall assume that status immediately after the conclusion of that election.