



Draft Resolution
On Advising the SGA Election Board to Adopt Instant-Runoff Voting

WHEREAS, Article 2, Section 5.H of the UNT SGA Election Code mandates that presidential/vice-presidential runoff elections be held “[in] the event that no Presidential/Vice-Presidential candidate team receives a simple majority of votes”.

WHEREAS, Article 2, Section 5.H of the UNT SGA Election Code mandates that Senatorial runoff elections be held “in in the event that two or more Senatorial candidates tie for a seat”.

WHEREAS, first-past-the-post voting is used in Senatorial elections, and as a result, a simple majority of votes is not necessary for a Senatorial candidate to win their election.

WHEREAS, first-past-the-post voting has been criticized for allowing the “spoiler effect”.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Student Senate advises the Election Board to prepare a report on the feasibility of adopting instant-runoff voting in all UNT SGA elections, to be delivered to the President of the Student Senate.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Student Senate advises the Election Board to adopt instant-runoff voting in all UNT SGA elections if possible.

Respectfully Submitted,

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