



Alma Mater Society of UBC – Voter Funded Media

Media Registration Form

January 2008 Elections

A Brief Explanation:

The AMS, in an effort to increase both awareness of our elections, and more importantly to improve the quality of information provided to students in these elections, is experimenting with a project we call Voter Funded Media (VFM). We hope this will provide incentive to media of any type to provide UBC students with quality information about the issues of importance to students, both on campus and off. We say any type because we hope that participants will range from individual students to established newspapers. On election day, voters will be asked to select those media sources which provided them with the quality information needed to cast an informed ballot. It's quite simple actually. Thanks for being a part of it.

You may register in this contest at any point up until 4pm on January 18th, 2008 by filling out this form, signing the terms and conditions below, and paying the \$150 registration fee. By hand, please deliver to the front desk of the AMS business office, second floor SUB, or by mail addressed to the VFM Elections Liaison, 6138 SUB Blvd, V6T 1Z1.

Name of Media (to appear on website and ballot)

Contact information

Telephone

Email(s)

Website

Name of person/organization to whom cheque will be made payable should you win funds (please note this cannot change once the contest has begun)

Terms and Conditions

There is a non-refundable entrance fee of \$150 dollars, payable to the Alma Mater Society of UBC, due before the close of registration.

The contest will not be open to candidates running in the election, and members of either the Elections Committee or Student Court.

The awarding of funds shall be as determined by the Interpolated Consensus voting method, which will allocate a maximum prize of \$2000 to the Media Sources receiving a consensus of votes in the voting system, determining a prize amount.

Participants in the contest will be entitled to utilize all forms of media to discuss the Elections and promote their publication, including the posting of advertisements for their media source. Advertisements or posters may not, however, feature endorsements of any candidates. The reason for this rests in the Elections rule that Candidates may not run on a common slate. While we recognize the right of the media to create de-facto slates through their endorsements, we wish to prevent them from promoting these endorsements in such a way as to supplant the campaigning done by candidates, ie postering.

This matter speaks to a larger issue, which is that media outlets participating in this contest are expected to be aware of the AMS Elections Code as it describes what candidates in the elections can and cannot do.

Participants found to be responsible for the breaking of any elections rules, in collusion with or in malice towards candidates, may be, in the case of a serious offence and at the discretion of the elections committee, disqualified from the competition.

The elections committee will have final say in deciding whether or not a participant has broken the rules of the contest, or whether or not a participant has acted in poor faith, and may pursue disciplinary action including expulsion from the contest with no refund of entry fees.

By signing this document you agree to the terms and conditions of this competition.

Signature(s) of person to whom cheque will be made payable or signing officer for organization and person(s) responsible for content (as above).

Date_____