

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE
UNIVERSITY STATUTES AND SENATE PROCEDURES
(Final; Action)

SP.26.11 Delegate the Election of the 2026-2027 Student Senators to the Student Election Board (SEB)

BACKGROUND

According to the Senate *Bylaws*, Part C, the Senate has delegated the responsibility for conducting student senator elections to the Campus Student Elections Commission (CSEC). However, in summer 2025, the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs dissolved the CSEC, and in its place established a Student Election Board (SEB) to assume the duties previously carried out by the CSEC.

Student elections for the 2026-2027 academic year are scheduled for February 17-19, 2026. Polls will open on February 17 at 12:00 pm and will close on February 19 at 11:59 am.

RECOMMENDATION

To ensure due process for this year's election of student senators, the Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures (SP) recommends that the Senate provisionally delegate the conduct of the 2026-2027 student senator elections to the Student Election Board (SEB). This delegation shall expire on February 27, 2026, upon the announcement of the official election results.

Prior to publication of the election rules for the subsequent election cycle in November 2026, SP shall recommend revisions to the Senate *Bylaws* and the Senate *Election Rules for the Student Electorate* to remove references to the superseded Campus Student Elections Commission (CSEC) and revise any other language to align Senate governing documents.

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