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1. "Academic Year" shall be from May 1st to the following April 31st;
2. "Banner" shall be any Campaign Material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material of a total area greater than four (4) square feet;
3. Business Day(s)" shall be any and all hours occurring between 09:00 and 17:00 between Monday to Friday local Edmonton time;
4. "By-Election" shall refer to any election called by the Chief Returning Officer in addition to the Winter General, Winter Council or Fall Council Elections;
5. "C.A.C." shall be the Council Administration Committee;
6. "Campaign" shall be the period of time during which Campaign activities are permitted;
7. "Campaign Activity" shall be any act, planned or organized by or on behalf of any Candidate that is calculated to convince Members to vote in a given way;
8. "Campaign Expense" shall be any and all expenditures incurred in engaging in Campaign activities;
9. "Campaign Materials" shall be any physical or electronic media produced or distributed as part of Campaign activities;
10. "Campaign Period" shall refer to the length of time between the conclusion of the Pre-Campaign Period and the conclusion of voting;
11. "Candidate" shall be any Member whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;
12. "Commencement Meeting" or "Candidates Meeting" shall refer to the initial mandatory meeting held to review elections rules or regulations and answer Candidate questions;
13. "Conclusionary Meeting" shall be the final mandatory meeting held to address last-minute issues and delegate campus cleanup assignments;
14. "Council" shall be either be Students' Council or General Faculties Council (GFC) as the context requires;
15. "C.R.O" shall be the Chief Returning Officer of the Students' Union;
16. "D.I.E. Board" shall be the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board of the Students' Union;
17. "D.R.O.(s)" shall be the Deputy Returning Officer(s) of the Students' Union;
18. "Election Period" shall refer to the length of time between the nomination deadline and the announcement of unofficial results;
19. "Elections Staff" or "Elections Office" shall refer to the C.R.O. and D.R.O.(s);
20. "Faculty" shall be any entity defined by the University of Alberta General Faculties Council as either a faculty or a school and in which Members are registered and shall include Open Studies;
21. "Fall Election" shall refer to all elections occurring in the fall term;
22. "Forum" shall be any event organized by an entity other than the Students' Union, a Candidate, side, or a Volunteer acting on behalf of a Candidate or side at which Campaign activities are facilitated;
23. "General Election" shall be the General Election of the Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors or the General Election of Faculty Councilors;
24. "Joke Candidate" shall be any Candidate who chooses to use a name of their choice and discloses that they are a joke Candidate, with the knowledge that they cannot hold office;
25. "Member" shall be anyone who is an undergraduate student currently enrolled in at least one course for credit at the University of Alberta;
26. "Plebiscite" shall be a vote, open to all Members, held on a given question but whose result is not legally binding upon the Students' Union;
27. "Poster" shall be any Campaign Material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material, of a total area of under four (4) square feet that is designed to be posted on a wall or similar place;
28. "Pre-Campaign Period" shall refer to the length of time between the declaration of a nominee as a Candidate and the commencement of the Campaign Period where Campaign activities are prohibited;
29. "Preferred Name" shall be the name which an individual consistently uses to identify themselves in their day to day life in place of their given name;
30. "Primary Volunteer" shall be a person registered as part of a Candidate's Campaign who that Candidate has selected to serve as a primary Volunteer for the purposes of this bylaw;
31. "Referendum" shall be a vote, open to all Members, held on a given question and whose result is legally binding upon the Students' Union;

32. "Side" shall be any person or group of people who have their registration as a plebiscite or referendum side accepted under this bylaw;
33. "Side Manager" shall be a person registered as part of a plebiscite or referendum side who those Members of that side have selected to serve as side manager;
34. "Uncontested Election" shall refer to any race where the number of nominees is equal to or less than the number of seats available;
35. "Update Meeting" shall be any meeting called by the Chief Returning Officer during the election period to address issues of importance that arise during the election;
36. "University" shall be the University of Alberta;
37. "Volunteer" shall be any individual who assists in Campaign activities or helps develop Campaign materials, at any point in the election process. Notwithstanding the above, the mere provision of advice or posting of social media content on an individual's social media account does not amount to Volunteer work.;
38. "Voter" shall be any Member who exercises their entitlement to vote;
39. "Voting Period" shall refer to the length of time when ballots may be submitted by electors;
40. "Winter Council Election" shall refer to the University of Alberta Students' Union Students' Council and University of Alberta General Faculties Council elections occurring in the winter term; and
41. "Winter General Election" shall refer to the University of Alberta Students' Union Executive Committee and University of Alberta Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative elections occurring in the winter term;