

# ELECTION REPORT

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2014 FALL BY-ELECTION

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# Overview

## Introduction

On November 27 and 28, 2014 UWSA members voted in the 2014 Fall By-Election. The By-Election resulted in the election of four (4) Executive members and 13 Board Members.

A total of 34 positions were open, one (1) senate position carried over from last election; senate positions are a two year term.

A total of 34 nomination papers were submitted. One (1) person was disqualified for not having enough signatures.

A total of 33 candidates were eligible to run in this election, two (2) were disqualified for not attending the All Candidates Meeting and one (1) person withdrew from the election.

A total of 22 candidates have been elected in their respective positions.

Prior to the By-Election, the UWSA had a Special General Meeting to vote in the new UWSA By-laws. The UWSA for the first time in over 10 years met quorum resulting in a majority vote in favour of the new UWSA By-laws introducing a new Election Policy.

This Election was governed by the Election Policy dated October 31, 2014.

## Election Staff

Chief Returning Officer: April Adams  
Deputy Returning Officer: Sherry Garrioch

Election Committee: Omar Ali  
Robert Cervi  
Priyanka Jaggi

## Election Calendar Key Dates

Nominations Opened: Friday, Oct. 31, 2014  
Nominations Closed: Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2014 at 2:00 pm  
All Candidates Meeting: Friday, Nov. 14, 2014 at 6:30 pm  
Poster Night: Sunday, Nov 16, 2014 at 4:00 pm  
Campaign Period: Sunday, Nov 16, 2014 to  
Friday, Nov. 28, 2014  
Voting Days: Thursday, Nov. 27, 2014 and  
Friday, Nov 28, 2014  
Results Released: Friday, Nov 28, 2014 at 9:00 pm  
Poster Recycling: Saturday, Nov 29, 2014 and  
Sunday, Nov 30, 2014  
Last day to Appeal: Monday, Dec 1, 2014 at 6:00 pm

## Advertising

UWSA Website

UWSA Office

CRO Office

Uwindsor.ca/massmail

Facebook

The Lance

Posters throughout University of Windsor Campus

Voting signs placed at Polling stations, outside buildings and throughout CAW Centre

Voting T-shirts were provided to all Poll Clerks

## Voting On-Line

Start Time: Thursday, Nov. 27, 2014 at 12:01 am

End Time: Friday, Nov, 28, 2014 at 8:00 pm

## Voting Website

[www.uwindsor.ca/uwsavote](http://www.uwindsor.ca/uwsavote)

## Polling Stations

Dates: Thursday, Nov 27, 2014 at 9:30 am to 6:00 pm and  
Friday, Nov. 28, 2014 at 9:30 am to 6:00 pm

Locations:

1. CAW Building
2. Centre for Engineering Innovation
3. Dramatic Arts Centre
4. Health Education Building
5. Human Kinetics Building and St. Denis Centre
6. LeBel / Visual Arts Building
7. Leddy Library Main Building
8. Law Building

# Contested Positions

## Executive

1. President
2. Vice-President Student Advocacy
3. Vice-President Finance
4. Vice-President Student Services

## Board of Directors

1. Faculty of Arts and Social Science – 4 Directors
2. Faculty of Business – 2 Directors
3. Faculty of Computer Science – 1 Director
4. Faculty of Drama – 1 Director
5. Faculty of Education – 1 Director
6. Faculty of Engineering – 2 Director
7. Faculty of Human Kinetics – 1 Director
8. Faculty of Law – 1 Director
9. Faculty of Music – 1 Director
10. Faculty of Nursing – 1 Director
11. Faculty of Science – 2 Director
12. Faculty of Social Work – 1 Director
13. Faculty of Visual Arts – 1 Director
14. Student Senators- 5 Directors
15. Board of Governors Representative- 1 Director
16. Inter-Faculty- 1 Director
17. Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry- 1 Director
18. University of Windsor Residence- 1 Director
19. International Students- 1 Director
20. First Year Students Representative- 1 Director (non-voting)

# Election Results and Statistics

|  |       |  |
|--|-------|--|
| <b>UWSA List of Electors (Voters):</b> | 12135 |  |
| <b>Voters Logged In:</b>               | 1983  | (All logged in voters did not actually vote)   |
| <b>Voters Voted:</b>                   | 1641  | (approximately)  |
| <b>Voter Percentage:</b>               | 13.5% | Numbers are not completely accurate because<br>Voters can log in again to vote for other positions |

## Number of Votes per Executives:

|                     |      |  |
|---------------------|------|--|
| President:          | 1199 | Voting varied between positions                      |
| VP Student Advocacy | 0992 | Some voters only selected one position to<br>vote on |
| VP Finance          | 1037 |  |
| VP Student Services | 1172 |  |

## Number of Votes per Senators:

|                  |      |   |
|------------------|------|---|
| Senators (top 5) | 1937 | Most people voted for the senator positions only<br>Not all voters selected the top 5 |
|------------------|------|---|

## Number of Votes for all Board positions:

|                     |      |
|---------------------|------|
| Board of Directors: | 1091 |
| Board of Governors: | 1039 |

# Winners

| POSITION   | NAME                    | VOTES |
|--|-------------------------|-------|
| <b>President</b>   | Ronnie Haidar           | 585   |
| <b>Board of Director Finance</b>                         | Faisal Ishak            | 707   |
| <b>Board of Director Student Advocacy</b>                | Mohamad El-Cheikh       | 607   |
| <b>Board of Director Student Services</b>                | Abdi Abdi               | 361   |
| <b>Board of Governors</b>                                | Mohammad Akbar          | 704   |
| <b>Senators</b>  | Farah El-Hajj           | 542   |
|  | Emmanuel Igodan         | 355   |
|  | Hassan Shahzad          | 354   |
|  | Christopher Langley     | 343   |
|  | Dhouha Triki            | 343   |
| <b>Board of Directors:</b>                               |                         |       |
| <b>Faculty of Arts, Humanities &amp; Social Services</b> | Don Bertolo             | 134   |
|  | Ronald (R.J.) D'Aguilar | 139   |
| <b>Faculty of Education &amp; Academic Development</b>   | Marissa Rossi           | 30    |
| <b>Faculty of Engineering</b>                            | Abdur Rahim             | 122   |
|  | Colin Isbister          | 74    |
| <b>Faculty of Human Kinetics</b>                         | Michelle Wong           | 41    |
| <b>School of Computer Science</b>                        | Alaa Shaheen            | 16    |
| <b>School of Creative Arts - Music</b>                   | Alix Simpson            | 19    |
| <b>Schulich School of Medicine &amp; Dentistry</b>       | Travis Barron           | 27    |
| <b>First Year Representative</b>                         | Aashir Mahmood          | 123   |
| <b>International Student Representative</b>              | Waseem Musbah           | 102   |
| <b>Residence Representative</b>                          | Andrew Fu               | 60    |

# Milestones and Outcomes

| KEY MILESTONE            | ITEM                                  | OUTCOMES  |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
|                          |                                       |   |
| <b>Pre-Election</b>      | <i>Developed Election Calendar</i>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive reviews from candidates</li> </ul>  |
|                          | <i>Developed Election Forms</i>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candidates found forms to be time consuming</li> <li>• More efficient for Election Staff</li> <li>• 98% of forms filled out correctly</li> <li>• Added more accountability to candidates</li> <li>• Candidates commented that the Forms made the process more trusting and professional</li> </ul> |
|                          | <i>Developed Penalty Point System</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Made Candidates more accountable</li> <li>• Candidates did not like having penalties against them</li> <li>• Overall a positive response regarding integrity and accountability</li> </ul>   |
|                          |                                       |   |
| <b>Nomination Period</b> | <i>Nomination Forms</i>               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most forms were handed in on the last day</li> <li>• Most forms were accurate</li> <li>• All forms were approved except 1</li> </ul>   |
|                          | <i>Disqualification</i>               | <p><b>Shivam Kaushik</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Missing 13 signatures</li> <li>• Email was sent</li> <li>• Phone message was left on answering machine</li> </ul>   |
|                          | <i>Penalties</i>                      | No penalties were issued  |

| KEY MILESTONE                 | ITEM  | OUTCOMES   |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| <b>All Candidates Meeting</b> | <i>Meeting</i>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Started at 6:42</li> <li>Ended approximately 8:00 pm</li> <li>2 candidates did not attend</li> <li>1 person was late</li> </ul>   |
|                               | <i>Disqualification</i>                         | <p><b>Paul Bahnam did not attend Meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Running for B of D Science</li> <li>See Complaint &amp; Penalty Section</li> </ul>   |
|                               |   | <p><b>Nativ Osakwe arrived at the end of meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Running for B of D FAHSS</li> <li>Showed up at All Candidates Meeting at 8:00 pm</li> <li>See Complaint &amp; Penalty Section</li> </ul> |
|                               | <i>Penalty</i>                                  | <p><b>Calvin Chak's</b> representative showed up 10 minutes late.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20 points applied</li> </ul>  |
|                               |   |  |
| <b>Poster Approval</b>        | <i>Time Changes<br/>Lack of time to prepare</i> | Candidates complained there was little time to design posters<br>Poster approval was delayed to Sunday to accommodate candidates.  |
|                               |   |  |
| <b>Poster Night</b>           | <i>Time Changes<br/>Festival of Lights</i>      | Due to Festival of Lights being held in the CAW Commons.<br>Poster night was delayed to Sunday Nov 16, 2014  |

| KEY MILESTONE          | ITEM               | OUTCOMES   |
|------------------------|--------------------|--|
| <b>Campaign Period</b> | <i>Withdrawals</i> | <b>Morgan Stahl</b> , Nov. 18 2014   |
|                        | <i>Penalties</i>   | <b>Christopher Potvin</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 points applied</li> <li>• See Complaint Section</li> </ul> |
|                        |                    | <b>Ronnie Haidar</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 35 points applied</li> <li>• See Complaint Section</li> </ul>      |
|                        | <i>Warning</i>     | <b>Kamal Mann</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Warning</li> <li>• See Complaint Section</li> </ul>                   |

| KEY MILESTONE               | ITEM | OUTCOMES   |
|-----------------------------|------|--|
| <b>All Candidates Forum</b> |      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overall a moderate turnout amongst students</li> <li>• Peak period was around 2:00 – 2:30 pm</li> <li>• Most executives members participated</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Poll Clerk Training</b>  |      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Within 24 hours CRO received over 120 applications</li> <li>• Training was held on Tuesday at 5:00 pm and 8:00 pm</li> <li>• Great response from students</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Voting Period</b>        |      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overall a great success</li> <li>• No major issues</li> <li>• Poll clerks all showed up on time</li> <li>• One person emailed in sick on Wednesday night and was replaced immediately</li> <li>• One person did not show on Friday and was replaced by back-up Poll Clerks</li> </ul> |

# Results

## List of Candidates

| <b>Board of Directors - School of Computer Science</b> |                    |              |
|--|--------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>   | <b>NAME</b>        | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1  | NO - Alaa Shaheen  | 3            |
| 2  | YES - Alaa Shaheen | 16           |
| -  | None Of The Above  | 0            |
| -  | Decline To Vote    | 1            |

| <b>Board of Directors - Faculty of Arts, Humanities &amp; Social Services</b> |                         |              |
|---|-------------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>  | <b>NAME</b>             | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1   | Don Bertolo             | 134          |
| 2   | Ronald (R.J.) D'Aguilar | 139          |
| -   | None Of The Above       | 0            |
| -   | Decline To Vote         | 57           |

| <b>UWSA President</b> |                    |              |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>              | <b>NAME</b>        | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1                     | Christopher Potvin | 266          |
| 2                     | Kamal Mann         | 248          |
| 3                     | Ronnie Haidar      | 585          |
| -                     | None Of The Above  | 0            |
| -                     | Decline To Vote    | 100          |

| <b>UWSA Vice President of Student Advocacy</b> |                         |              |
|--|-------------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>                                       | <b>NAME</b>             | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1  | NO - Mohamad El-Cheikh  | 245          |
| 2  | YES - Mohamad El-Cheikh | 607          |
| -  | None Of The Above       | 0            |
| -  | Decline To Vote         | 140          |

| <b>UWSA Vice President of Finance</b> |                    |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>                              | <b>NAME</b>        | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1                                     | NO - Faisal Ishak  | 188          |
| 2                                     | YES - Faisal Ishak | 707          |
| -                                     | None Of The Above  | 0            |
| -                                     | Decline To Vote    | 142          |

| <b>UWSA Vice President of Student Services</b> |                   |              |
|--|-------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>                                       | <b>NAME</b>       | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1  | Abdi Abdi         | 361          |
| 2  | Rose Appleton     | 270          |
| 3  | Shanice Narain    | 75           |
| 4  | Sherry Chaudhry   | 318          |
| -  | None Of The Above | 0            |
| -  | Decline To Vote   | 148          |

| <b>Board of Governors</b> |                     |              |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>                  | <b>NAME</b>         | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1                         | NO - Mohammad Akbar | 251          |

|   |                      |     |
|---|----------------------|-----|
| 2 | YES - Mohammad Akbar | 704 |
| - | None Of The Above    | 0   |
| - | Decline To Vote      | 84  |

**Board of Directors - Faculty of Education & Academic Development**

| # | NAME                | VOTES |
|---|---------------------|-------|
| 1 | NO - Marissa Rossi  | 9     |
| 2 | YES - Marissa Rossi | 30    |
| - | None Of The Above   | 0     |
| - | Decline To Vote     | 2     |

**Senators**

| # | NAME                | VOTES |
|---|---------------------|-------|
| 1 | Calvin Chak         | 296   |
| 2 | Christopher Langley | 343   |
| 3 | Dhouha Triki        | 343   |
| 4 | Emmanual Igodan     | 355   |
| 5 | Farah El-Hajj       | 542   |
| 6 | Hassan Shahzad      | 354   |
| 7 | Mansour Budayri     | 241   |
| 8 | Zain Daudi          | 268   |
| - | None Of The Above   | 0     |
| - | Decline To Vote     | 139   |

**Board of Directors - Faculty of Human Kinetics**

| # | NAME | VOTES |
|---|------|-------|
|---|------|-------|

|   |                     |    |
|---|---------------------|----|
| 1 | NO - Michelle Wong  | 3  |
| 2 | YES - Michelle Wong | 41 |
| - | None Of The Above   | 0  |
| - | Decline To Vote     | 2  |

| <b>Board of Directors - Faculty of Engineering</b> |                   |       |
|--|-------------------|-------|
| #  | NAME              | VOTES |
| 1  | Abdur Rahim       | 122   |
| 2  | Colin Isbister    | 74    |
| -  | None Of The Above | 0     |
| -  | Decline To Vote   | 9     |

| <b>Board of Directors - School of Creative Arts - MUSIC</b> |                    |       |
|---|--------------------|-------|
| #   | NAME               | VOTES |
| 1   | NO - Alix Simpson  | 3     |
| 2   | YES - Alix Simpson | 19    |
| -   | None Of The Above  | 0     |
| -   | Decline To Vote    | 3     |

| <b>Board of Directors - Schulich School of Medicine &amp; Dentistry</b> |                     |       |
|---|---------------------|-------|
| #   | NAME                | VOTES |
| 1   | NO - Travis Barron  | 0     |
| 2   | YES - Travis Barron | 27    |
| -   | None Of The Above   | 0     |
| -   | Decline To Vote     | 0     |

| <b>Board of Directors - Residence Representative</b> |                   |              |
|--|-------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>   | <b>NAME</b>       | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1  | NO - Andrew Fu    | 13           |
| 2  | YES - Andrew Fu   | 60           |
| -  | None Of The Above | 0            |
| -  | Decline To Vote   | 5            |

| <b>Board of Directors - International Student Representative</b> |                     |              |
|--|---------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>   | <b>NAME</b>         | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1  | NO - Waseem Musbah  | 7            |
| 2  | YES - Waseem Musbah | 102          |
| -  | None Of The Above   | 0            |
| -  | Decline To Vote     | 9            |

| <b>Board of Directors - First Year Student Representative</b> |                      |              |
|---|----------------------|--------------|
| <b>#</b>  | <b>NAME</b>          | <b>VOTES</b> |
| 1   | NO - Aashir Mahmood  | 29           |
| 2   | YES - Aashir Mahmood | 123          |
| -   | None Of The Above    | 0            |
| -   | Decline To Vote      | 31           |

The original documents of the Election Results and Statistics are on file in the CRO Office and will be attached at the end of this document.

# Complaints and Penalties

| Date  | Complainant        | Accused                                  | Penalty          |
|---|--------------------|--|------------------|
| Thursday Nov 13, 2014   | CRO                | Shivam Kaushik<br>(Senator)              | Disqualification |
| <p><b>Candidate was missing 13 signatures</b><br/>CRO advised candidate via email and phone message<br/>Candidate did not respond<br/><b>CRO sent Shivam Kaushik the disqualification notice via email</b></p>  |                    |  |                  |
| Date  | Complainant        | Accused                                  | Penalty          |
| Friday Nov 14, 2014   | CRO                | Nativ Osakwe<br>(Board of Director FASS) | Disqualification |
| <p><b>Candidate showed up to the meeting at 8:00 pm</b><br/>Candidate apologized, indicating she did not know of the meeting<br/>Candidate indicated that she did not go on to the UWSA website to find any information regarding the Election, her documents were sent to her by a friend<br/>CRO did not accept this as a reasonable excuse<br/><b>CRO disqualified candidate in person at the meeting</b></p>  |                    |  |                  |
| Date  | Complainant        | Accused                                  | Penalty          |
| Friday Nov 14, 2014   | CRO                | Paul Bahnam<br>(Board of Direct Science) | Disqualification |
| <p><b>Candidate did not show up to the All Candidates Meeting</b><br/>CRO called candidate around 9:00 pm<br/>Paul indicated he did not know about the meeting<br/>Paul blamed CRO that she did not tell him about the meeting when he handed in his nomination forms<br/>CRO stated, it was not her responsibility to be informed of his responsibilities<br/>Paul was very upset with CRO's decision<br/><b>CRO disqualified candidate over the phone</b></p>   |                    |  |                  |
| Date  | Complainant        | Accused                                  | Penalty          |
| Monday Nov 17, 2014   | Sherry Chaudry     | General Question                         | No Penalty       |
| Friday Nov 21, 2014   | Kamal Mann         |  |                  |
| <p><b>Posters on painted surfaces</b><br/>Sherry asked about posters being put up on painted surfaces<br/>CRO indicated that NO posters should be on painted surfaces<br/>Kamal came to office asking about rules on painted surface<br/>Candidates and other students have done this in the past, Students were confused about the rule<br/>CRO verified with Dolly at the CAW front desk about the no posters on painted surfaces rule<br/><b>CRO sent out WARNING</b> - a mass email to all candidates to remove all posters from painted surfaces</p> |                    |  |                  |
| Date  | Complainant        | Accused                                  | Penalty          |
| Wednesday Nov 19, 2014  | Christopher Potvin | Mohammad Akbar                           | No Penalty       |

|  |                    |                |                |
|--|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
| <p><b>Candidate participating and campaigning at an event</b><br/> Christopher indicated that Mr. Akbar was campaigning and participating at an event<br/> CRO investigated the event with Club organizer<br/> The event had been approved 1 ½ months prior to the Election<br/> The event was not held by Mr. Akbar<br/> Mr. Akbar did not campaign during this event<br/> <b>No penalties applied</b></p>  |                    |                |                |
| <b>Date</b>  | <b>Complainant</b> | <b>Accused</b> | <b>Penalty</b> |
| Thursday Nov 20, 2014  | CRO                | All Candidates | No Penalty     |
| <p>Candidates were coming to the office with complaints<br/> Complaints were not being issued as per Election Policy<br/> CRO sent out mass email to all Candidates<br/> See attached</p>  |                    |                |                |
| <b>Date</b>  | <b>Complainant</b> | <b>Accused</b> | <b>Penalty</b> |
| Thursday Nov 20, 2014  | Sherry Chaudhry    | Abdi Abdi      | No Penalty     |
| <p><b>Candidate promoting club on Instagram</b><br/> Sherry indicated that Abdi was promoting a club on Instagram<br/> CRO investigated the complaint<br/> CRO agreed this was a violation<br/> CRO met with Abdi Abdi<br/> A friend of Abdi's was the person who posted the candidates picture on the clubs website<br/> Abdi provided written documentation (proof) that he sent a message to his friend to remove the poster immediately.<br/> The poster was removed within 30 minutes of the violation<br/> All information was proved with printed documentation and is in Abdi's file<br/> CRO spoke directly with Abdi and he provided the information immediately<br/> <b>CRO did not apply a penalty</b></p> |                    |                |                |

| Date   | Complainant   | Accused             | Penalty    |
|--|---------------|---------------------|------------|
| Thursday Nov 20, 2014  | Farah El-Hajj | Christopher Potvin  | 20 Points  |
| <p><b>Club endorsing Candidate (Movember)</b><br/>           CRO investigated the complaint<br/>           CRO agreed this was a violation<br/>           CRO met with Christopher Potvin and asked for the event to be removed from his Campaign site<br/>           Christopher did not remove the event<br/>           CRO met with EC to review the violation<br/>           It took Christopher over 3 hours and several warnings to remove his event<br/> <b>EC issued 20 points</b></p>                 |               |                     |            |
| Date   | Complainant   | Accused             | Penalty    |
| Friday Nov 21, 2014  | CRO           | ALL CANDIDATES      | No Penalty |
| <p>CRO issued a warning to all candidates regarding painted surfaces<br/>           See Attached</p>   |               |                     |            |
| Date   | Complainant   | Accused             | Penalty    |
| Friday Nov 21, 2014<br>2:00 am   | CRO           | Under investigation | Pending    |
| <p><b>Code of Conduct</b><br/>           Person came into the CAW Commons area and smeared feces on the posters of Abdi Abdi's and Faisal Ishak<br/>           The incident was logged at the CAW front desk at 2:00 am<br/>           Campus Police were notified<br/>           Dr. Clayton Smith was not aware of the incident until CRO mentioned it at the All Candidates Forum<br/>           Dr. Clayton Smith emailed Mike McKinnon to investigate<br/> <b>Violation still under investigation</b></p> |               |                     |            |
| Date   | Complainant   | Accused             | Penalty    |
| Friday Nov 21, 2014  | CRO           | ALL CANDIDATES      | No Penalty |
| <p>CRO issued a warning to all candidates regarding painted surfaces<br/>           See Attached</p>   |               |                     |            |

| Date   | Complainant | Accused       | Penalty   |
|--|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Monday Nov 24, 2014  | Curtis Hyra | Ronnie Haidar | 35 points |
| <p><b>Candidates poster overlapping another candidates poster</b><br/> Curtis sent in 16 photos of Ronnie’s posters overlapping other posters<br/> CRO agreed Ronnie was in violation of 80.07 a iii.<br/> CRO investigated the violation<br/> CRO noticed that several other candidates also made this violation<br/> Curtis and Kamal indicated that Ronnie was not adhering to 80.07 and also breaking the Code of Conduct<br/> Curtis and Kamal recorded the violation on Friday evening, however did not submit the violation until Monday just before the All Candidates Forum<br/> CRO requested to meet Ronnie immediately and asked him to remove the posters<br/> CRO felt Kamal and Curtis were sabotaging Ronnie’s campaign<br/> Both Kamal and Curtis had the opportunity to report other candidate’s violation of the same infraction, yet they chose only to focus on Ronnie.<br/> CRO investigated the violation and it only took her 5 minutes to find other violation within the same area as the accused.<br/> CRO issued a severe warning to Kamal and Curtis.<br/> <b>35 points applied to Ronnie</b></p> |             |               |           |

| Date  | Complainant | Accused             | Penalty    |
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| Tuesday Nov 25, 2014  | CRO         | CRO<br>(Abdi Abdi)  | No Penalty |
| <p><b>CRO realized she approved an invalid poster</b><br/>           CRO advised Abdi of her mistake<br/>           CRO had no complaints against the poster or Abdi<br/>           CRO warned Abdi, if any complaints came in that he would have to remove his poster<br/>           Abdi was not given a penalty because this was a mistake of the CRO</p> <p>Policy was confusing for other candidates as well<br/>           Ronnie also made his poster incorrectly<br/>           CRO made him cut the poster in half<br/>           CRO made this exception because of the cost incurred to the candidate and also the waste of paper on the environment<br/>           CRO recommends this policy be changed.</p> |             |                     |            |
| Date  | Complainant | Accused             | Penalty    |
| Tuesday Nov 25, 2014  | CRO         | ALL CANDIDATES      | No Penalty |
| <p>CRO issued a warning to all candidates regarding painted surfaces<br/>           See Attached</p>  |             |                     |            |
| Date  | Complainant | Accused             | Penalty    |
| Tuesday Nov 25, 2014  | CRO         | Under Investigation |            |
| <p>People came into CAW protesting on University of Windsor property and the CAW Balcony<br/>           Dean of Students Dr. Clayton Smith came to investigate and students withdrew from area and left without incident<br/>           CRO was concerned people would come back on Voting Days to protest<br/>           CRO considered past election conflicts and met with EC to discuss options<br/>           CRO enforced 20.04 and made changes to the Election Calendar</p>   |             |                     |            |
| Date  | Complainant | Accused             | Penalty    |
| Friday Nov 28, 2014   | CRO         | Under Investigation |            |
|   | Abdi Abdi   |                     |            |
| <p>Election Posters defaced in CAW Commons area<br/>           Abdi reported he found several posters missing and a few posters defaced on Friday morning<br/>           CRO reported incident to Dr. Clayton Smith and Mike MacKinnon, Campus Police<br/>           Investigation is under review<br/>           Investigation is at this time confidential until further notice</p>   |             |                     |            |

| Date   | Complainant | Accused | Penalty |
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| Friday Nov 28 2014   | Jason Duyck | CRO     |         |
| <p><b>Violation of 30.02b</b><br/><b>Violation of 30.05c</b></p> <p>CRO responded to Jason. No appeal was submitted.<br/>Additional proof is filed at CRO Office</p> <p>Dear Ms. Adams,</p> <p>I am taking your email as a refusal to investigate my complaint under 120.02(a) of the elections policy.<br/>Please correct me if this is wrong.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Jason Duyck</p> <p>On Fri, Nov 28, 2014 at 1:58 PM, April Adams &lt;<a href="mailto:crouwsa@uwindsor.ca">crouwsa@uwindsor.ca</a>&gt; wrote:<br/><i>Hi Jason,</i></p> <p><i>It was never my intent to exclude anyone, quite the contrary. I have been open and forthcoming to include ALL members of the UWSA, regarding this Election.</i></p> <p><i>Re: Section 30.02</i></p> <p><i>I had a team go out and put "Notice of Elections" in every building and on bulletin boards across campus, making sure everyone was aware of the Elections. We also sent out a mass email, through the University system to notify all students of the Election. Which was confirmed. I also posted the Notice of Election on the UWSA website, social media and traditional media. Also, a separate email was sent out to all Clubs and Society Executives, notifying them of the "Notice of Elections"</i></p> <p><i>I have also reached out to organizations which work with People with Disabilities, so as to include them as well.</i></p> <p><i>I have had several media interviews, regarding the Election and my position, which have been released to the students.</i></p> <p><i>The Notice of Election and all Documents were available on-line and at the UWSA Office since Oct 31, 2014, including the Elections Calendar.</i></p> <p><i>All the above information, meets my obligations set-out in Section 30.02</i></p> <p><i>Re: Section 30.05</i></p> <p><i>A mass email was sent out to all members via the University of Windsor. I posted the information on the UWSA Elections website and Facebook, including all the locations.</i></p> |             |         |         |

*I have worked very hard to include as many students as possible regarding Voting, including having Voting locations in 8 buildings across campus.*

*I have Voting Locations at Engineering, Law, Leddy, Dramatic Arts, LeBel, Human Kinetics, Toldo and CAW.*

*All the above information, meets the obligation set-out in Section 30.05*

*I am sorry if you feel that you have been excluded. My goal this entire Election was to reach out to every student, in hopes they will come out and Vote.*

*If there is some way I can better reach students in the next Election, please offer your suggestions and I will do my best to accommodate your request.*

*Thank you for your submission.*

*April*

*April Adams*

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Date: 2014-11-28 12:07 PM  
Subject: Formal Complaint

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To the CRO of the UWSA,

I would like to submit the following formal complaint regarding the UWSA elections. If I need to submit some sort of form, please let me know and I will be happy to do so.

While I question whether the elections policy is actually in place as the UWSA has not released the minutes of any meeting where the elections policy was adopted, these complaints assume that the elections policy was adopted. My complaint relates to the following sections of the elections policy:

30.02b  
30.05c  
120.01

This complaint relates to notice of the election.

Law students have received no notice of the election. No emails have been sent to law students regarding the ability to run in the election. No emails have been sent to law students about the ability to vote in the election. No posters or messages about the election have been posted in the law building. The Student Law Society has not been contacted about the election.

I have personally submitted a number of complaints to the UWSA regarding their failure to contact law students about other events, specifically the October 30 Special General Meeting. The UWSA is aware that it does not contact law students regarding events or elections.

Given these facts, there appears to be a purposeful attempt to exclude law students from participating in both the UWSA and the election process. This purposeful exclusion of a specific faculty calls into question the integrity of this election.

Please reply to this email so that I know you have received this complaint. If you require any additional information, please let me know.

# Expense Forms and Penalties

| Date 2014  | Candidate               | Amount Submitted | Amount Approved by CRO | Penalty | Reason                                |
|------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| Wed Nov 12 | Michelle Wong           | 0                | 0                      |         |                                       |
| Sun Nov 30 | Zain Daudi              | \$100.00         | \$100.00               |         |                                       |
|            | Christopher Potvin      | \$240.46         | \$176.63               |         |                                       |
|            | Dhouha Triki            | \$172.46         | \$172.46               |         |                                       |
|            | Alix Simpson            | \$1.54           | \$1.54                 |         |                                       |
|            | Abdur Rahim             | \$83.00          | \$83.00                |         |                                       |
|            | Ronald D'Aguilar        | \$161.36         | \$161.36               |         |                                       |
|            | Mohammad El-Cheikh      | \$317.30         | \$300.00               |         |                                       |
|            | Hassan Shahzad          | \$58.71          | \$58.71                |         |                                       |
|            | Shanice Sybbliss-Narain | \$314.76         | \$150.00               | 50%     | Not removing posters                  |
|            | Kamaldeep Mann          | \$67.61          | \$67.61                |         |                                       |
|            | Calvin Chak             | \$153.68         | \$153.68               |         |                                       |
|            | Christopher Langley     | \$58.90          | \$58.90                |         |                                       |
|            | Abdullchi Abdulle       | \$92.76          | \$92.76                |         |                                       |
|            | Emmanuel Igodan         | \$115.00         | \$115.00               |         |                                       |
|            | Farah El-Hajj           | \$108.00         | \$108.00               |         |                                       |
| Mon Dec 1  | Sherry Chaudhry         | \$160.53         | 80.27                  | 25%     | Late submission                       |
|            | Domenic Bertolo         | \$80.78          | \$60.58                | 25%     | Late submission                       |
| Tue Dec 2  | Mansour Budayri         | \$127.50         | \$63.75                | 50%     | Late submission                       |
| Wed Dec 3  | Ronnie Haidar           |                  |                        | 100%    | Late submission                       |
|            | Alaa Shaheen            |                  |                        | 100%    | No submission                         |
|            | Faisal Ishak            |                  |                        | 100%    | No submission                         |
|            | Rose Appleton           |                  |                        | 100%    | No submission<br>Not removing posters |
|            | Marissa Rossi           |                  |                        | 100%    | No submission                         |
|            | Colin Isbister          |                  |                        | 100%    | No submission                         |
|            | Travis Barron           |                  |                        | 100%    | No submission                         |
|            | Andrew Fu               |                  |                        | 100%    | No submission                         |
|            | Waseem Musbah           |                  |                        | 100 %   | No submission                         |
|            | Aashir Mahmood          |                  |                        | 100%    | No submission                         |
|            | Mohammad Akbar          |                  |                        | 100%    | No submission                         |

# Appeals

Deadline for appeals, December 1 at 6:00 pm. No appeals were submitted.

# Recommendations

## Election Policy

**Add:**            ***Limit on Position Sought***

A member is limited to seek nomination for one position per election cycle. Should a member be found to be seeking nominations for multiple positions, that Member will be treated as having not registered as a Nominee and will not be considered for candidacy for any position.

**Change:**        ***Section 80.08 Campaign Material Limitations***

a) i        no more than five (5) banners are allowed. Banners must not exceed 3' x 7' or twenty one (21) square feet in total

b)j        no more than three (3) banners are allowed. Banners must not exceed 3' x 7' or twenty one (21) square feet in total

a) iii      overlap or be attached to any hung or posted campaign material of another candidate by one (1) inch or cover any words of another candidates banner or poster.

**Add:**            ***120.01 Submitting Complaints***

Any allegations of violations of the Election Policy must be submitted to the CRO. Allegations must be made within forty-eight (48) hours of the violation. Any complaints submitted, which involve University of Windsor campus police to investigated will be extended until proof of allegations have been confirmed.

**Add:**            ***Reimbursements***

A new section needs to be added regarding Reimbursements. Clear rules need to be established regarding reimbursements and penalties to candidates.

UWSA By-laws

**Change:**        ***50.02 Directors***

The list of Faculties for the Board of Director positions need to be updated and reflect the names used by the University of Windsor.

## Voting Website

CRO found the voting website to be time consuming for voters.

The Voters screen should look similar to a ballot, saving only once when they are completed their selections.

The UWSA may want to conduct a survey amongst members to get their opinion on the voting process.

## Voting Administration

The Vote administration site should be reviewed with the CRO and IT services to enhance its capabilities.

The following areas need upgrading: testing/verifying data entries, timeline, statistics and voting process.

The CRO has reviewed the last three Election reports and believe the actual turnout of voters is incorrect.

The Voting statistics can provide useful information to the UWSA when it comes to who is voting and when. A strategy can be better utilized when it comes to marketing towards specific faculties with low turnout, the advantage/disadvantage to hiring poll clerks and voter turnout on specific days.

## Computers and Polling Stations

The process of acquiring computers for Polling stations was poor.

A set plan regarding the amount of computers available and budget requirements for Polling stations need to be established **before** the Election Period, at least one month prior to an Election.

The UWSA, IT services and various computer resources within the University of Windsor need to devise a plan that will best suit the needs of the voters regarding accessibility to computers and Polling Stations on Voting Days.

The UWSA should analysis the cost of using students computers versus investing into buying their own.

The CRO recommends the use of student (poll clerk) computers, as this was the easiest and quickest way of obtaining computers for the Election.

## **Election Documentation**

1. All original Election documents should be filed in a binder accordingly:
  - a. UWSA By-laws
  - b. Election Policy
  - c. Election Forms
  - d. Election Calendar
  - e. Election Guide (All Candidates Meeting)
  - f. Election Report
  - g. Election Results (printed from the Voting administration page)
  - h. Election Statistics

All documents supporting the Election and candidates should be dated accurately and kept on file for reference and verification.

## **Election Manual**

An Election Manual needs to be developed. As a new CRO there are many aspects to running an election within the University of Windsor that a new CRO is unaware of.

The Election Manual can provide information regarding all aspects of running an election; who to contact regarding Voter lists for each Faculty, how to set-up the Vote administration site, contact information for catering, stage set-up and video equipment.

## **Society Elections**

Many new students are not well informed of the Election process. An Election Guide and Forms should be available to all Society's to better assist them in an Election for their Executive members and staff.

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Justin and friends (Stage set-up)