

S83-5 SENATE ELECTION CHALLENGE POLICY

Legislative History:

Document dated April 27, 1983.

At its meeting of April 11, 1983, the Academic Senate approved the following policy recommendation presented by Ray Pimentel of the Executive Committee.

ACTION BY THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

5. The special committee shall inquire into the facts alleged as the grounds for challenge and shall seek all relevant evidence. The burden of proof shall be on the challenger. Any hearings shall be open to the public.

6. If the special committee finds that the challenge is supported by the facts and that the outcome of the election was affected thereby, it may recommend a) that a new election be held, or, b) where there were only two candidates, that the challenger be declared elected. If a new election is recommended and if the special committee has found that a candidate in the initial election was guilty of fraud, misrepresentation or other serious misconduct, it may also recommend that he/she not be allowed to compete in the new election.

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