Chapter 704 : Fall Homecoming Election Schedule

704.1 All election regulations of Chapter 703 shall be observed for the Fall Homecoming Election, in addition to this chapter.

704.2 The top ten (10) candidates, previously chosen by the Homecoming Pageant Judges, may campaign for top five (5) elections by word of mouth only, excluding the stairwell between the 2nd and 4th floors and the 3rd floor of the TMB while the polls are open. Word of mouth is defined as face-to-face contact by the candidate to any student(s).

704.21 Any candidate(s) that does not comply with this law will be automatically disqualified from the election.

704.3 On the Thursday before Homecoming Week, the Homecoming Court top five (5) elections will be held in the Theron E. Montgomery Building. Each student will vote for 5 of the top 10 finalists previously decided upon at the Homecoming pageant. The candidates with the highest number of votes will make up the Homecoming Court. In the event of a tie, the top 6 will be finalists.

704.4 The Elections Clerk must post the results of the elections for top five (5) or six (6) on the door of the Office of Student Life immediately after votes have been counted.

704.5 Candidates selected into the top five (5) or six (6) may begin campaigning as soon as the results of the election have been posted. All campaigning must be in compliance to Chapter 703 of the Code of Laws, disregarding 703.3. These laws are as follows:

A. MANDATORY MEETINGS: Any candidate (s) that misses a mandatory meeting set by the Vice President of Student Senate or Elections Clerk will be immediately disqualified. Excuses will be granted to those who contact the Vice President of Student Senate or Elections’ Clerk within 24 hours prior to meeting time. This law will be in compliance with 702.7 of the Code of Laws.

B. CAMPAIGN TIMELINE: Any candidate(s) who campaigns prior to the Monday of the fourth week of general elections will be immediately disqualified. Monday will begin as of 12:00 am. This law will be in compliance with 702.9 of the Code of Laws.

C. VOTE FRAUD: Any candidate or ticket of candidates who commits vote fraud will automatically be disqualified from elections. Vote fraud is defined as offering or paying money, promising gifts in exchange for votes, causing ineligible voters to vote, causing otherwise eligible voters from voting, electronic voting fraud, or making false statements to election officials, i.e. spending expenditures, signatures, etc.
D. FINES: Any candidate who violates section 703.2 will be charged with a fine of at least $20.00 or total retribution for damage. Candidates charged with a violation against 703.3 will be charged with a fine of at least $20.00/incident.

704.6 On the Thursday of Homecoming Week, the election for Homecoming Queen shall take place. The Homecoming Queen shall be the finalist receiving the highest number of votes cast, with the remainder of the finalists comprising her court. Candidates selected into the top five (5) or six (6) shall not campaign in any way on the 3rd floor of the TMB or in the stairwell between the 2nd and 4th floors while the polls are open. The Homecoming Queen and her court shall be announced during the bonfire/pep rally set at a predestine time. In the event of a tie, the run-off election shall be held on Friday of Homecoming Week and the winner will be announced at halftime of the Homecoming Game.

704.7 Candidates for Homecoming Queen may be either graduate or undergraduate students.

704.8 Candidates for Homecoming Queen must have a cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.5 and a minimum of 32 hours of completed credit at Jacksonville State University. The Candidate must have been a student of the University for at least one year and be currently active in at least one on-campus activity.

704.9 Candidates for Homecoming Queen must be full-time students of Jacksonville State University.

704.10 Each Sponsoring organization must be a university recognized organization and may only sponsor a maximum of four candidates for the Homecoming Pageant.

704.11 Candidates for Homecoming Queen shall be limited to those biologically defined as female and in case of a Homecoming King, candidates for Homecoming King shall be biologically defined as male.

704.12 There shall be a Homecoming King who will follow all requirements and provisions of the Homecoming Queen (except those outlined in 704.11).