

**University Senate of Michigan Technological University**  
**Proposal 20-23**  
**(Voting Units: All)**

**Proposal to Correct Bylaws Language Describing Nomination Acceptance**  
Introduced by: Ad-hoc Committee to Amend the Senate Bylaws and Elections Committee

**I. Introduction**

The Ad-hoc Committee to Amend the Senate Bylaws and Elections Committee recommends changing the language in the Bylaws from the current language to the edited language indicated below.

**II. Rationale**

The Bylaws language describing the window of time for a candidate's acceptance of nomination to appear on an election ballot is in need of clarification. The edits suggested in this proposal align the number of days allowed for candidates' acceptance of nominations, and the placement of their information on the Senate voter information page, with the overall timeline for elections. The overall timeline includes the sum total of days established for completion of all steps of the election process: approval of nomination form language, distribution of nomination form, communication of the acceptance of nomination by candidates to the Senate Administrative Assistant and the Election Committee, placement of candidate information on the voter information page, distribution and closing of election ballots, tallying and announcement of results.

**III. Proposal**

[Bylaws Section](#) 4.2.2 states:

“Nominees will confirm their willingness to serve with the senate administrative assistant and the Senate Election Committee at least 7 calendar days after the close of the nomination period, in order to be placed on the ballot.”

Bylaws section 4.2.2 Proposed Changes:

Nominees will confirm their willingness to serve with the senate administrative assistant and the Senate Election Committee ~~at least within~~ 7 calendar days after the close of the nomination period, in order to be placed on the ballot ~~and have their information placed on the Senate Voter Information Page.”~~