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STUDENTS UNION ELECTION

As part of measures to have a virile Students Union body at the beginning of 2010/2011 academic session, Senate at its regular meeting held on Monday, 16 August, 2010 decided that the Student Affairs Division should set in motion the necessary machinery for elections into the executive and other positions of the Students Union.

To this end, the Students Union election will hold as contained in Articles XVI, XVII and XVIII of the Students Union constitution as reviewed and approved by Senate during the 1998/1999 academic session.

The Articles are as follows:

ELECTIONS

ARTICLE XVI

1. Elections shall normally be held not later than 30 days after resumption in a new session
2. Any union officer wishing to contest at any union election shall have resigned any previous political appointment and such resignation shall have been made public before the close of nominations.
3. Candidates must neither be in their first year of registration nor final year students.
4. Minimum CGPA of 3.5 or no reference in the case of Medical/Dentistry students.
5. Any member of the union who has been found guilty of gross misconduct as stipulated in the student information handbook shall not be eligible to contest any union election.

ARTICLES XVII

ELECTORAL COMMISSION

- i) Union election shall be conducted by an Electoral Commission constituted for election purposes.
- ii) The Electoral Commission shall consist of the following:
 - a. Chairman, who will be Deputy Registrar (Students);
 - b. 1 Representative from each hall of residence; and
 - c. 1 Representative from each Faculty.

ARTICLE XVIII

POWERS OF THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

- i) It shall draw up Electoral Regulations and Guidelines subject to the provisions of the constitution and other relevant rules and regulations of the University. Such rules and regulations shall be published at least 14 days before the date of election.
- ii) It shall screen all aspirants and have the powers to clear or reject the candidature of any aspirant.
- iii) Shall listen to complaints arising from electoral petitions before the conduct of any election.
- iv) There shall be an electoral petition tribunal set up by the Vice-Chancellor and chaired by the Dean of Students. Any complaint after the election shall be referred to the Electoral Petition Tribunal for arbitration. All electoral petitions shall be heard and determined within 14 days of the election for the post in question.

By this information, the much awaited Students Union election shall be conducted early next academic session as stipulated in Article XVI subsection (1) above.

All students are hereby enjoined to participate actively in the process. Further details shall be communicated by the Electoral Commission.

Thank you.

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