

Proposal by the Election Committee for the 2018 UFF-USF Chapter Election

Here is the proposed schedule and parameters for the spring 2018 UFF-USF Chapter elections:

- **Monday, January 8, first day of classes.**
- Thursday, January 11, the Biweekly announces that the Proposed Schedule will be presented to the Chapter for approval.
- Friday, January 12, the Proposed Schedule will be presented to the Chapter, and hopefully approved with amendments.
- Tuesday, January 16 the Biweekly in a Special to UFF members announces a Call for Nominations.
 - *This Call for Nominations is repeated in every issue of the Biweekly until the deadline for nominations.*
 - *The Membership Committee works to recruit candidates for all offices and seats via media blitz. Appropriate funds should be allocated for recruitment of nominees and communication materials.*
- Nominees for Executive Committee offices are required to provide a 500 to 1000-word description of their platform and qualifications to the Election Committee Chair by the deadline for nominations.
 - *Nominees for Senate and FEA Delegate Assembly are strongly encouraged to provide a brief (approx. 150-word) bio.*
- Friday, March 2 (12 midnight), deadline for receipt of nominations, descriptions (typed, Word Documents [.doc, .docx] required), and all ballot materials.
- Monday, March 5, send ballot materials to members. It will take approximately one week to get ballots sent by first class mail to reach all recipients.
 - *Ballots will include spaces for write-ins for Senate and FEA Delegate Assembly positions.*
- Thursday, March 8, the Biweekly publishes the descriptions of all nominees for Executive offices, as well as bios of Senate & FEA Delegate Assembly nominees.
- Thursday, March 29, deadline to *receive* ballot materials (12 midnight). Ballots must be received by that deadline.
- Friday, March 30, ballots counted at a Special Chapter Meeting.
 - *All candidates for Executive offices shall be barred from canvassing and counting ballots.*
- **April 1, newly elected officers and representatives assume their positions.**
- Monday, April 2, Chapter Secretary sends election forms and report to Tallahassee.