



Alaska Association of Student Governments
Resolution #2
Amendment of Article VII, Section F AASG Constitution and Bylaws
Submitted by: Region 6 and Liam Wade
October 5, 2023

Be it Resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments, that the General Assembly of the Alaska Association of Student Governments stand with Region 6 to amend Article VII, Section F to include Subsection F including the following as well as amending Article VII, Section F, subsection a ;

- a. Each Region will be given 15 ballots to be distributed by the parliamentarian amongst the region's schools present at the GA
- f. Balloting shall follow the rules and regulations as depicted in Alaska Ballot Measure 2 as adjusted to fit AASG conditions
 - A. Each School will rank their preferred candidates in order of first choice being the most preferred candidate, second being the second most preferred candidate, and so on.
 - B. If no candidate receives a majority after counting first-choice votes then the candidate with the least amount of "first" votes will be removed from the next round of voting
 - C. Those ballots that removed the candidate as "first" would then be counted as their "second" ranked candidate.
 - D. This process will continue until one candidate receives a majority of the remaining votes.

- 1. Whereas**, RCV is defined as rank-choice voting;
- 2. Whereas**, When put to a vote at Region 6's monthly meeting on September 13, 2023, the resolution was favored positively by 83% of delegates in attendance;
- 3. Whereas**, RCV, as presented by Michelle Sparck from "Get out the native vote" at the 2023 Spring Conference, was given a standing ovation by the AASG GA;
- 4. Whereas**, Voter education has always been a staple of AASG resolutions, and the GA's

support;

4. **Whereas**, Region 6 believes that implementing RCV into AASG's elections will work to educate the next generation of Alaskan voters by giving them experience within the system in a smaller environment;

5. **Whereas**, This resolution does not seek to undermine the voice of the voter but is meant to educate AASG with experience in Alaska's system;

6. **Whereas**, The purpose of this resolution is to implement voter education through the use of RCV implementation;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Alaska Association of Student Governments that Article VII, section F with the included subsections are added to the AASG Con and Bylaws.

Action Statement: If passed by the general assembly of AASG, Article VII, Section F, and its accompanying subsections will be ratified in the Alaska Association of Student Government's Constitution and Bylaws at the adjournment of the Fall 2023 conference.

Works Cited

1. Ballot measure no. 2 - Alaska. (n.d).
<https://www.elections.alaska.gov/petitions/19AKBE/19AKBE%20-%20Ballot%20Language%20Summary.pdf>
2. "Alaska Ranked Choice Voting Implementation." *Alaska Division of Elections*, www.elections.alaska.gov/RCV.php. Accessed 13 Sept. 2023.

The resolution passes with noted opposition

Passed by the Fall 2023 General Assembly of AASG hosted by West Valley High School

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