

Statutory Declaration

Oaths Act 1900 (NSW) Eighth Schedule

I,....., do solemnly and sincerely declare that:
[name of declarant]

- Any information contained in my Nomination Form for the 2025 University of Sydney Union (USU) Annual Board Elections is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and I affirm the validity of the information provided.
- I have read the USU Constitution, Regulations, Candidate Handbook and any Duty Statements for Board Directors and I agree to comply with these documents from the time of my nomination to the Declaration of Final Results or, if elected as a Board Director, until I cease to be a Director. Additionally, I agree that by signing this Statutory Declaration, I agree to uphold the ethical, conduct, and expectation requirements contained in the most recently approved version of the Board Charter as relevant to my role as a candidate.
- I understand that attendance at the Compulsory Candidate Briefing for Candidates on Wednesday 9th April 2025 at 6:00pm (AEST) is compulsory and I attest that I will attend this session, save in the event of extreme illness or other extenuating circumstances beyond my control. I understand that circumstances beyond my control do not include such things as holidays, overseas travel, birthday celebrations, work commitments or other similar commitments.
- I understand that to be eligible to receive a USU Electoral Grant, I will be supplied with and be required to sign an Electoral Grant Scheme Agreement and will do so.
- I understand that if the Returning Officer determines that there has been a breach of the Regulations, by a candidate, or by a supporter of a candidate or by a person on behalf of a candidate, they may impose a penalty or penalties in the form of a formal warning, suspension of a person from campaigning, suspension of a candidate's campaign or disqualification, and/or repayment of issued or unspent grants. I agree that if I am found to be in breach of the Regulations, I will return any grant funding as required.
- I understand that, if elected as a Director of the Board, I will be required to attend all the following:
 - Special Meeting of the Incoming Board for the Election of the Executive, Committee Chairs and other positions on Tuesday 10 June at 6:00pm (AEST) or at a day and time determined by the Electoral Committee;
 - Annual Induction for Directors and any Board Directors Training Sessions, as prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time; and
 - Meeting of the Board of Directors on Friday 25 July 2025.

- I understand that failure to attend the events in this document may result in my being ineligible to hold office on the Board. If there are extenuating circumstances, I will contact the Chief Executive Officer of the USU (CEO) at the first possible opportunity to discuss my inability to attend. The CEO will then make a recommendation to the Returning Officer and, if necessary, the Electoral Arbiter regarding my eligibility to hold office.
- I understand that my election to the Board of Directors may be terminated contingent on and subsequent to a change to the *Constitution* or *Regulations* of the USU resulting from the incorporation of the USU.
- I understand that I will be required to sign a further statutory declaration pertaining to campaign expenditure and compliance with the USU Constitution, Regulations and Candidate Handbook in order to be eligible to be a Board Director.

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the *Oaths Act 1900*.

Declared at: on
[place] *[date]*

.....
[signature of declarant]

in the presence of an authorised witness, who states:

I,, a.....
[name of authorised witness] *[qualification of authorised witness]*

certify the following matters concerning the making of this statutory declaration by the person who made it: [** please cross out any text that does not apply*]

1. *I saw the face of the person OR *I did not see the face of the person because the person was wearing a face covering, but I am satisfied that the person had a special justification¹ for not removing the covering, and
2. *I have known the person for at least 12 months OR *I have confirmed the person's identity using an identification document and the document I relied on was
[describe identification document relied on]

.....
[signature of authorised witness]

.....
[date]

Instructions for Candidates

Before the close of nominations:

1. Read this statutory declaration carefully and sign it in the presence of an authorised person
2. Return the statutory declaration to the Electoral Officer, Geraldine Roffe, Level 6, Holme Building, by 5:00pm (AEST) Monday 7 April 2025.

¹ The only “special justification” for not removing a face covering is a legitimate medical or religious reason.