

**Imperial College Union**

**IMPERIAL COLLEGE UNION ELECTIONS**

*A note by the President*

**Election season has come again**

It's that time of year that all hacks have been waiting for - the elections for Imperial College Union 2008/09 sabbaticals, Student Trustees and this years NUS delegates are about to get underway. In line with Clause 21, Part D of Regulation Four of the constitution Council is required to approve the sabbatical elections timetable for what will no doubt be a wonderful advert for student democracy at Imperial College. Elections will also be run later this term by cross campus ballot for the positions of RAG Chair, CAG Chair, Council Chair and the 2008/09 GSA Committee and the timetable for these elections will be announced in due course. Faculty Unions will also be required to follow the final timetable for the second batch of elections so if there are any reasons why some dates are unsuitable then could the Faculty Union Presidents concerned please come and talk to me outside this meeting.

**The timetable**

Monday 21st January – Publicity Begins  
Monday 28th January – Nominations Open  
Monday 11th February – Nominations Close  
Tuesday 12th February – Initial Candidates meeting  
Friday 15th February – Manifesto Deadline  
Hustings - to be determined (Mon 18th - Thurs 21st)  
Friday 22nd February – 0.01am – Voting Opens  
Tuesday 26th February (23.50pm) – Voting Closes  
Wednesday 27th February – Final Candidates meeting

**Posts up for grabs**

President  
Deputy President (Education and Welfare)  
Deputy President (Clubs and Societies)  
Deputy President (Finance and Services)  
Felix Editor  
2x Student Trustees  
8x NUS Delegates

**Returning Officer**

Former ICSMSU President and Council Chair Mr Daniel McGuinness has been duly appointed by the Court as Returning Officer for these elections.

**Elections Committee**

As per the constitution:- "For Sabbatical Officer and Felix Editor elections, the elections committee shall consist of the Returning Officer and four other members of the Council, who are not members of the Executive Committee, chosen at random by the Court."

If you are intending standing, seconding or supporting anyone in these elections please contact me to exclude yourself from the random draw as the elections committee must be completely impartial.

**RON**

The Felix Editor has kindly offered to run the RON campaign. Please get in touch with him if you would like to assist him in this fairly comical task.

**Decision Required**

1. To approve the 2008/09 Sabbatical elections timetable outlined above.