

Pi Beta Phi Candidate Conduct Rules

Pi Beta Phi expects that each member—including slated candidates and challengers—conducts herself with honor and upholds Pi Phi's core values of integrity, honor and respect, lifelong commitment, personal and intellectual growth, philanthropic service to others and sincere friendship. In doing so, each member should refrain from any behavior that would bring discredit to her sisters or the Fraternity. Accordingly, all communications regarding elections, the slate or challenges to the slate should be in accordance with our values.

Campaigning Guidelines:

1. All delegates and members should understand that campaigning is not allowed.
2. A candidate, or any member acting on behalf of a candidate, shall refrain from making formal or informal presentations about her candidacy before or during convention.
3. Letters, phone calls and electronic communications (social media, text messaging, email, etc.) sent on a candidate's behalf to women who are not intimate friends will not be permitted.
4. Signs, placards, balloons, additional literature and favors are prohibited at convention.
5. Voting delegates (alumnae clubs and chapters) will not be told how to vote.
6. Biographical information will be gathered from the candidates based upon a series of questions. The information will be posted on the Pi Beta Phi Website in a consistent manner.
7. A Panel consisting of a past Grand Council member, Elections Coordinator, Parliamentarian and the Leadership and Nominating Committee Chair will address sub-standard election behaviors.
 - Any violation of the campaigning restriction should be reported to the Elections Coordinator. The complaint should be in writing and signed in order to authorize the Panel to gather information.
 - After review of the complaint, if the Panel agrees that there has been a violation, the candidate for whom the campaigning has occurred will be informed and she must ensure campaigning stops.
 - Further action, including loss of election eligibility, may be taken.
8. All candidates will be introduced to the convention body during the business session.
9. If there is a challenger to any slated position, an informal opportunity to meet the slated and challenger candidates will be provided.
10. All slated and challenge candidates must agree to the Candidate Conduct Rules. This will include understanding of the position description, including the time and travel commitment.

