

## **Spending Guidelines for Candidates**

In order to avoid potential problems with spending violations (exceeding \$700 per individual candidate in non-run-off elections), the Elections Committee has put together the following spending definitions:

1. Any material used (i.e. papers, tape, etc.) in the course of your campaign will be audited. That is, you will provide the Elections Committee with a form indicating the value of the items you have used, the usage of any item constitutes spending. As a result, you must limit yourself to a total usage (expenditure) of \$700 per individual candidate (in non-run-off elections).

## What does this mean?

This means that the use of any campaign material (even donated material) counts against your spending limit. You are required to fill out the Campaign Expense Form and indicate value of any items you use during your campaign. The Elections Committee may ask for receipts. In the event the receipts are lost, all materials will be assessed by the Election Committee at current retail value. Should you fail to comply with these guidelines and win the election, you will not be allowed to hold office.

The limit of \$700 per individual candidate only applies to the General election, not the run-off election. For any run-off election, each candidate will be allowed an additional \$250.

Campaign Expense Form: You can access the Campaign Expense Form by clicking here.