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2025 Arc BOARD ELECTIONS INFO SESSION & CAMPAIGNING BRIEFING

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OF COUNTRY

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WHAT WE'LL COVER

- Understanding Arc Board
- What it means to be a Director
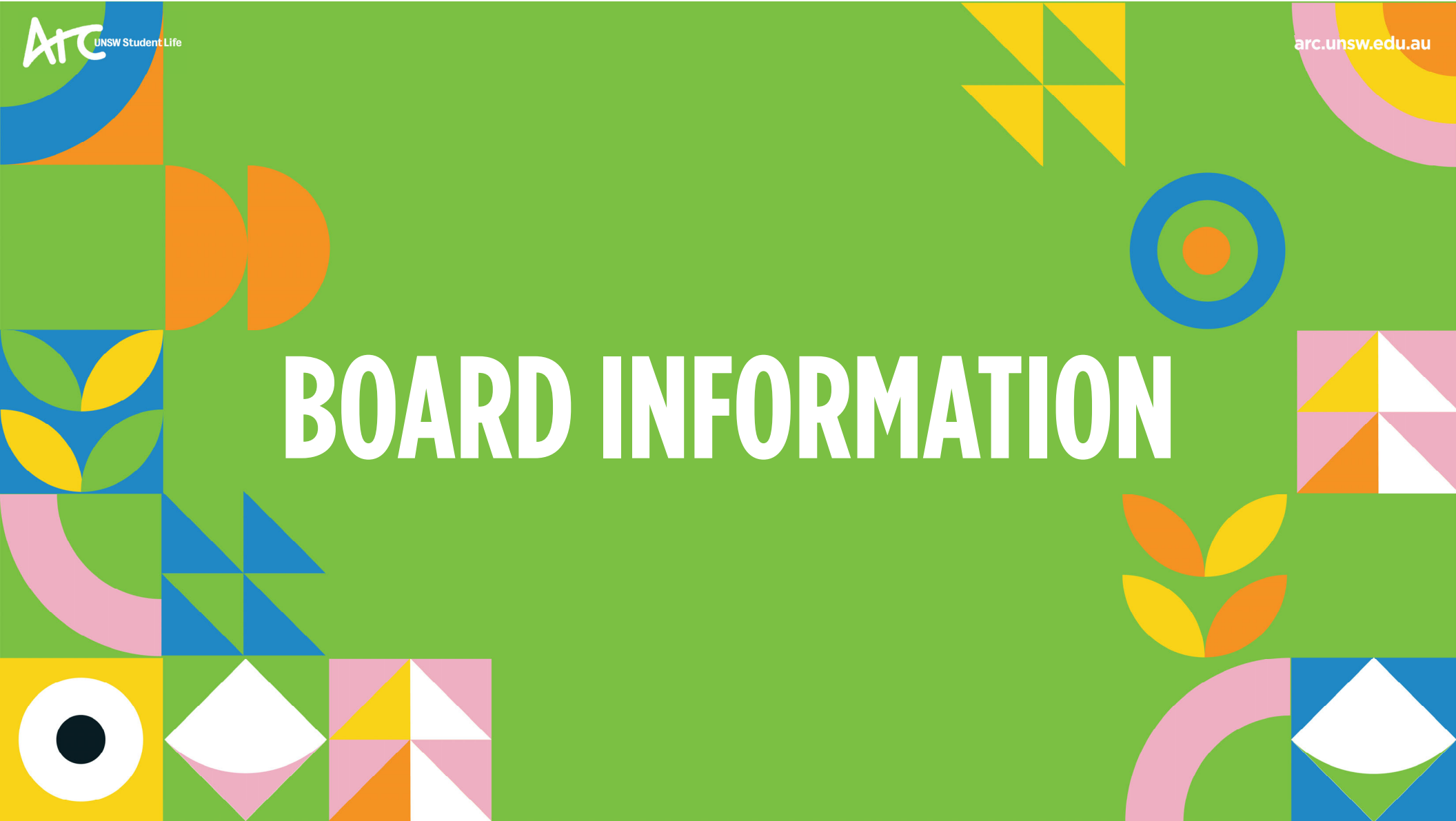- Elections Timeline
- Campaigning
- Voting

HOUSEKEEPING

- Stay on mute (to limit background noise for recording)

- Raise your physical hand, or use the 'raise hand' function.

BOARD INFORMATION

What is Arc @ UNSW?

- Established 2007

- Arc not ARC

- Registered Company limited by guarantee

- Not for Profit (Registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission)

- Separate entity to UNSW

- Funding via UNSW & Arc Support Agreement

- Several separate agreements with UNSW e.g. SLA to operate Sport

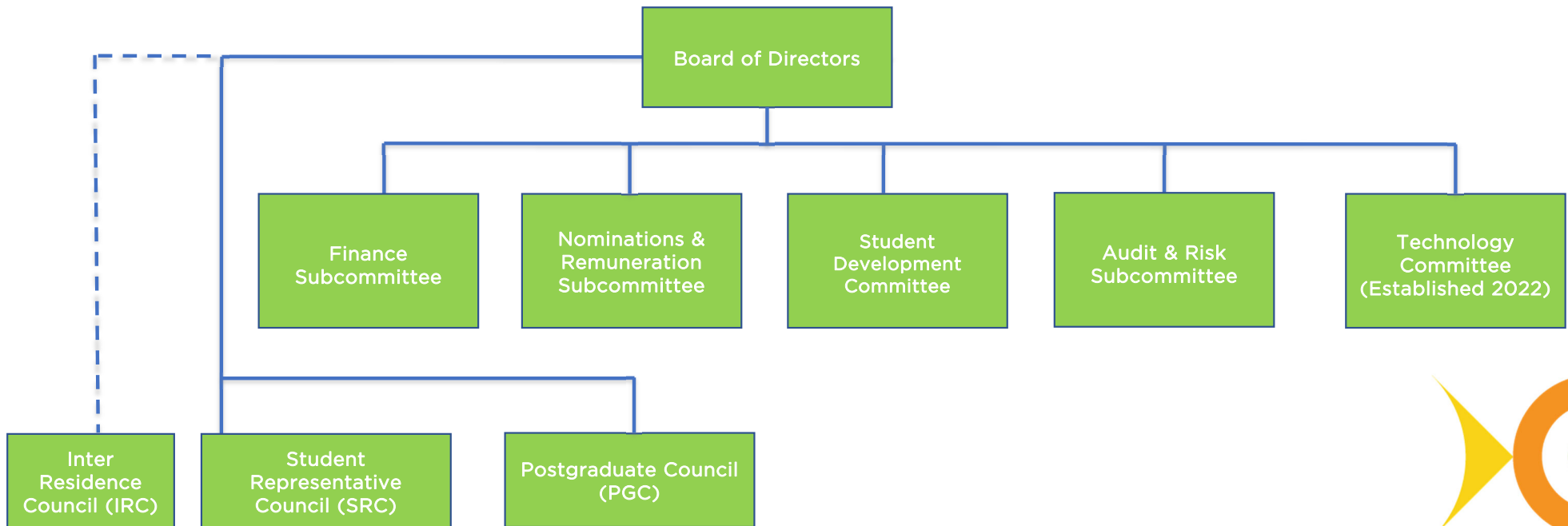- Responsible to the Corporations Act 2001

What is Arc BOARD?

- 15 Directors (10 Students)
  - 8 x Student Directors (Elected by Students)
  - Student Representative Council (SRC)
  - President Postgraduate Council (PGC) President
  - CEO
  - 2 x Alumni Directors (appointed by a Board selected panel)
  - 2 x University Directors (recommended by the VC Office)
- Strategic planning and decision making (not operational)
- Student-Led
- Training and Development
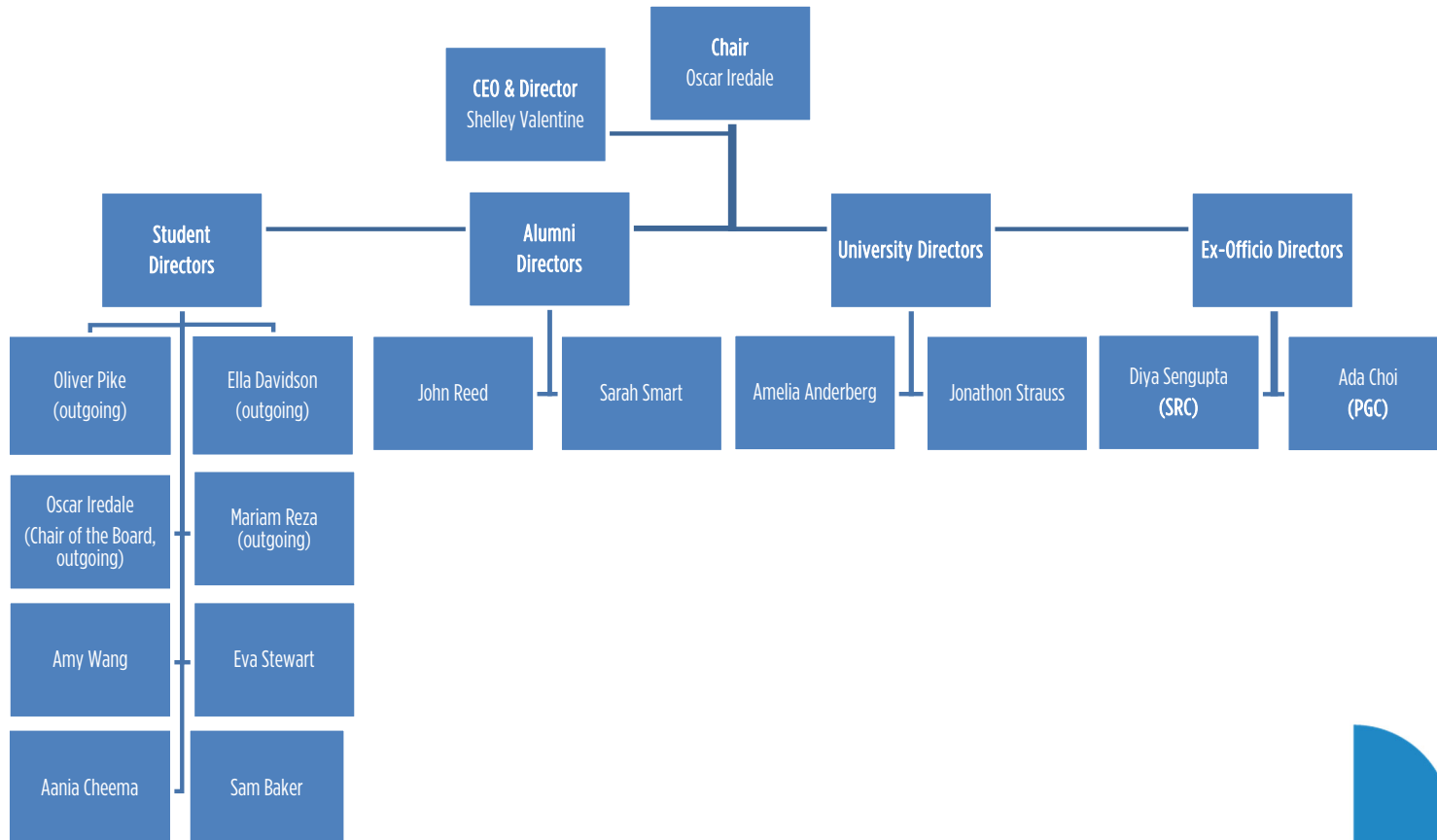- Mentored by non-student Directors

Arc BOARD, SUBCOMMITTEES & COUNCILS

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| Finance Subcommittee | Nominations & Remuneration Subcommittee | Student Development Committee | Audit & Risk Subcommittee | Technology Committee (Established 2022) |

| Inter Residence Council (IRC) | Student Representative Council (SRC) | Postgraduate Council (PGC) |

Arc BOARD 2024–25

CEO & Director
Shelley Valentine

Chair
Oscar Iredale

Student Directors

Alumni Directors

University Directors

Ex-Officio Directors

Oliver Pike
(outgoing)

Ella Davidson
(outgoing)

John Reed

Sarah Smart

Amelia Anderberg

Jonathon Strauss

Diya Sengupta
(SRC)

Ada Choi
(PGC)

Oscar Iredale
(Chair of the Board,
outgoing)

Mariam Reza
(outgoing)

Amy Wang

Eva Stewart

Aania Cheema

Sam Baker

POSITIONS

Positions Vacant

- Four (4) positions are available each year. Two female and/or gender diverse students and two unrestricted. These are 2-year terms.

- The election will be taken to a vote when >2 nominations are received for each position category.

Eligibility

- Current UNSW Student

- Current member of Arc at the close of nominations (10/03/2025)

- Not in a 'position of profit' with Arc (i.e. employment). Any SRC or PGC nominees must resign from their Council prior to close of nominations.

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Arc BOARD | MEETINGS

- Board and Subcommittees meet Quarterly at a minimum (with some exceptions)

- All meetings are held weekdays after 5pm in a hybrid format

- Directors are expected to:
  - Attend all required meetings.
  - Come prepared.
  - Speak up.

- There are no silly questions or ideas. If you're not sure, just ask. If you prefer, ask the Chair before the meeting. If you have an idea, let the Board hear it.

- Being a Director is a learning and development opportunity. There are also Director courses and training sessions which you may be interested in attending.

- Your primary duty of Directors is to the company and its members.

Student Experience on Arc Board

- Lots of learning

- Amazing connections

- Building friendships

- Having a bigger voice on campus

- Learn about student life at UNSW

- Lots of opportunities!

QUESTIONS?

TIMELINE

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Notice of Elections	SUN 16 FEB		Arc Website
Nominations Open	MON 24 FEB	9AM	Arc Website
Nominations Close	MON 10 MAR	Paper submission by 4PM, online by 11:59PM	Arc Website
Nominations Re-Open (if required)	MON 17 MAR	9AM	
Nominations Re-close (if required)	MON 24 MAR	Paper submission by 4PM, online by 11:59PM	
Online voting commences	MON 7 APR	7AM	ONLINE via BigPulse
Online voting concludes	THU 10 APR	9PM	ONLINE via BigPulse

NOMINATIONS

- **Open** Monday 24 FEBRUARY 2025, 9:00am
- **Close** Monday 10 MARCH, paper submission by 4pm, online by 11:59pm

- Re-open (if required) Monday 17 March
- Re-close Monday 24 March, paper submission by 4pm, online by 11:59pm

Nomination forms can be found: On the Arc website.

Nominations must be received by the Returning Officer by no later than 11:59pm on an electronic form or 4.00pm on a paper form on Monday 10 March 2024 (or Monday 24 March in case of re-opening). Late nominations will not be accepted.

CAMPAIGNING BRIEFING

EACH CANDIDATE MUST ABIDE BY, AND INFORM THEIR SUPPORTERS(S) AND CAMPAIGNER(S) OF THE Arc REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES, INCLUDING THE NECESSITY TO OBSERVE THESE REQUIREMENTS AT ALL TIMES.

CAMPAIGNING

ONLINE & VERBAL CAMPAIGNING MAY COMMENCE: MON 10 MAR 2025, 4.00PM
ONLINE & VERBAL CAMPAIGNING MUST CONCLUDE: THU 10 APR 2025, 11.59PM

ONLINE CAMPAIGNING: THE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS, EMAILS, MESSAGES, DIGITAL FLYERS ETC.

ON-CAMPUS CAMPAIGNING: ENGAGING WITH STUDENTS VIA MEANS OF HANDING OUT FLYERS, WEARING OF CAMPAIGN SHIRTS, CONVERSATIONS, A-FRAMES ETC.

CAMPAIGNING GUIDELINES

All candidates nominate and run independently of Arc; no candidate is endorsed or supported by Arc.

The Arc logo must not be used in any candidate campaign material.

CAMPAIGNING GUIDELINES

- Only UNSW students may campaign for election of a candidate.

- No campaign material may be produced using Arc resources including Arc email accounts, offices, photocopiers and computers.

- No campaigning or campaign material production may take place in any Arc owned or operated facility.

- No campaign materials may be displayed or worn within Arc owned or operated facilities. This includes Arc owned or operated social media.

- Campaigning may only take place on UNSW grounds and surrounding footpaths.

- Please check Arc Regulations, clause 10.24 regarding Election Campaigning. Breach of any of the campaigning or election rules may result in penalty or disqualification.

SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDELINES

- Arc will not actively monitor online forums and social media platforms. Check your privacy settings.

- All campaign posts must include the name and zID of the candidate.

- Sponsored or paid social media posts, or other forms of paid advertising are not permitted.

- Publicity on any dating sites/apps is prohibited.

- No use of email lists of UNSW students for the purpose of campaigning or spam emails, unless the student has explicitly signed up for it.

- Any student receiving campaigning via direct message may request to be removed from future messaging. The candidate(s) and/or campaigner(s) involved must remove the student within 24 hours

EVENT GUIDELINES

- Arc events, including Arc Club events cannot be used to address groups of students for campaigning purposes, including displaying or distributing campaign material.

- Should an Arc publication (i.e Gamamari, Blitz) facilitate an event, Q&A session, debate, article or similar, the Returning Officer must approve the use of any material in any way, unless already released publicly by the publication.

CONDUCT

- All students involved in the election in any way must adhere to the standards of behaviour as provided for in 10.3(h).

- Any candidate(s) or campaigner(s) that publish, display or distribute any inappropriate material (including aiding and/or abetting such behaviour) will be required to remove the material in question if directed by the Returning Officer, and issue a retraction if appropriate by a means deemed necessary by the Returning Officer. Any candidate(s) or campaigner(s) found to have breached this may be subject to actions outlined in S11.24(c)

CAMPAIGNERS MUST NOT

• Engage in behaviour that is intimidatory, aggressive, threatening or harassing towards any other person (including coercion or intimidation of voters), whether that behaviour takes place in person, online or any other way;

• Engage in any dishonest practice in relation to the election;

• Publicise any campaign content that is untrue, misleading or deceptive, discriminatory, sexist, racist, or homophobic;

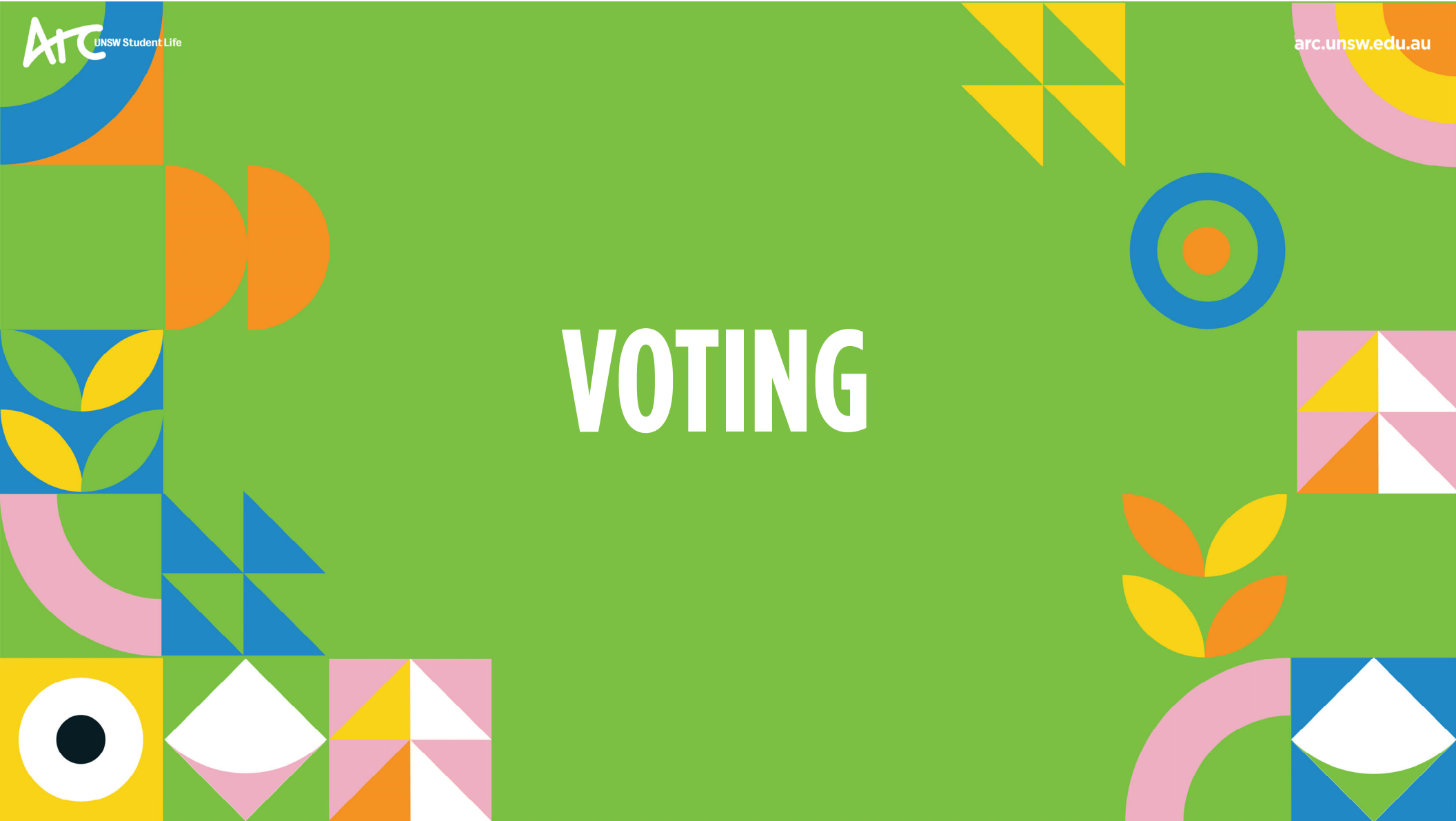• Mislead or hinder the Returning Officer or delegates in the execution of their duties.

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CAMPAIGNING CAN BE STRESSFUL!

REMEMBER TO REACH OUT IF YOU NEED SUPPORT

❑ UNSW COUNSELLING SERVICES – 9385 5418

❑ LIFELINE AUSTRALIA – 13 11 14

❑ BEYOND BLUE – 1300 224 636

❑ NSW MENTAL HEALTH LINE – 1800 011 511

VOTING

VOTING DATES

<u>Online voting commences</u>
Monday 7 April, 7am

<u>Online voting concludes</u>
Thursday 10 April, 9pm

VOTING

- Arc members who have signed up for Arc membership before 10/03/2025 (with a projected graduation date beyond 2025) are eligible to vote in the Board elections.

- All eligible members will receive one vote. An email containing the voting link will be sent to eligible members.

- IMPORTANT – This link will be sent to the email address provided by the member when they signed up for membership (it will not be sent to UNSW student email addresses unless that is the email you provided on their membership form).

Do you want more information?

Are you unsure about the process?

What to do if you think there's a breach?

Contact returning.officer@ozemail.com.au