- **71-1414.** Candidacy for election to board of trustees; petition or declaration of intent; filing fee; deadline. (a) (1) In college districts where a district method of election is in effect, a person may become a candidate for election to trustee of a community college by any one of the following methods:
- (A) Any person who is an elector of any member district may petition to be a candidate for member from the member district in which such person resides. Any such person shall file with the election officer a petition for such person's candidacy signed by not less than 50 electors residing in such person's member district.
- (B) Any person who is an elector of any member district may become a candidate for member from the member district in which such person resides by filing with the election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of \$5.
- (C) If a community college adopts and implements a seven member board of trustees plan, any person who is an elector of the college district may petition to be a candidate for the at-large member position. Any such person shall file with the county election officer a petition for such candidacy signed by not less than 50 electors residing in such college district.
- (D) If a community college adopts and implements a seven member board of trustees plan, any person who is an elector of the college district may become a candidate for the at-large member position by filing with the county election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of \$5.
- (2) Every petition or declaration of intent filed under this subsection must specify the member position for which the person is a candidate.
- (b) In college districts where the election-at-large method of election is in effect, a person may become a candidate for election to trustee of a community college by either one of the following methods:
- (1) Any person who is an elector of the college district may petition to be a candidate for trustee. Any such person shall file with the election officer a petition for such person's candidacy signed by not less than 50 electors residing in the college district.
- (2) Any person who is an elector of the college district may become a candidate for trustee by filing with the election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of \$5.
- (c) Every petition or declaration of intent filed under this section must be filed on or before 12 o'clock noon on the Tuesday which precedes by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in April of any odd-numbered year. No such petition or declaration shall be filed sooner than the second Tuesday of the December which next precedes the community college election.

**History:** L. 1967, ch. 407, § 11; L. 1969, ch. 342, § 1; L. 1975, ch. 363, § 1; L. 1980, ch. 207, § 79; L. 1983, ch. 123, § 7; L. 1990, ch. 252, § 11; May 17.