During the 2018 Annual Elections an election participant requested clarification on their eligibility to participate in the Annual Elections, due to their status as a Monash University student enrolled at the City (Melbourne) campus.

Following discussions with MONSU Caulfield and Monash University staff the following facts were used in determining my ruling on this student’s eligibility:

- Monash University’s City (Melbourne) campus does not have a Student Organisation.
- MONSU Caulfield appears to represent students from the City (Melbourne) campus in discussions with Monash University and in other forums where MONSU Caulfield is the representative for students, while no other Student Organisation appears to do this.
- For all other purposes MONSU Caulfield appears to have given City (Melbourne) campus students the same standing in its affairs as Caulfield campus students have under the Constitution.

Based on these facts I ruled that City (Melbourne) campus students would be enfranchised within the elections of MONSU Caulfield with the same voting and standing rights of an equivalent Caulfield campus student.

As these facts have not changed since the 2018 Annual Elections, I once rule that Monash University students enrolled at the City (Melbourne) campus will be eligible to participate in the 2019 Annual Elections with the same rights of an equivalent student enrolled at the Caulfield campus.

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