

Tuesday, March 27, 2012

To: Michael Jordan and Donald Garrett

From: The Faculty Review Board Consisting of:

- Melissa Masone, Assistant Director of Student Government, Office of Student Involvement
- Sara Morrisroe, Associate Director, Office of Student Involvement
- Lauren Long, Director, Office of Student Involvement
- Lindsey Hammond, Alcohol, Drug & Health Education Coordinator, Office of Alcohol, Drug & Health Education
- Nick Lennon, Director, Leadership Education & Development

RE: Request for Reconsideration of Spring 2012 Grievance 001 (2nd Appeal)

Background¹

On March 22, 2012 with a vote of 5 guilty, 2 not guilty, and 1 abstention, the Elections and Disputes Commission found that the Jordan/Garrett Campaign violated Election Code 5.24. A violation of Election Code 5.24 is a Class Three Violation so the Commission disqualified Jordan/Garrett. On the same day, Jordan/Garrett appealed the EDC's decision. On March 26, 2012 the EDC upheld their previous decision. Jordan/Garrett now appeals to the Faculty Review Board.

Responsibilities of the Faculty Review Board²

According to the Code of Student Governance, the responsibilities of the Faculty Review Board are defined as follows:

§ 405 Results of Second Appeal

The Faculty Review Board may either sustain or overrule the ruling. If the Board chooses to overrule the ruling, it may either reverse the ruling or send the grievance or dispute back to the Elections and Disputes Commission for a re-trial under fairer conditions.

More information on the Faculty Review Board's role can be found in Title IV, Chapter 4 of the Code of Student Governance.

Faculty Review Board Decision

The Faculty Review Board has reviewed the second appeal and carefully considered the information provided. After a thorough review of the case, we could not find a valid reason or sufficient evidence for modification or revision of the original decision. Thus, the Faculty Review Board sustains the ruling made by the Elections & Disputes Commission in their *Spring 2012 Election - Grievance 001 Appeal Decision (1)*³.

¹ This background information was taken from a "Sample Holding" submitted by candidate Donald Garrett to the Faculty Review Board.

² This section was taken directly from the Code of Student Governance, which can be found on the official Student Government website at sg.gmu.edu

³ The *Spring 2012 Election - Grievance 001 Appeal Decision (1)* is available to the public on the official Student Government website at sg.gmu.edu