



Election and Disputes Commission Student Government George Mason University

EDC Commissioners: Colin Sapko, Priya Sorot, Jesse Muzzy, Anthony Bedward, Sarah Jenkins, and Kourtney Miller

On April 10th, 2017 the Elections and Disputes Commission met and decided on the grievance filed against candidates Anastasia Slepukhova, Danielle Ambersley, Dustin Cone, Erik Truong, Erin Whitton, Felix Rubble, Hailey Frye, Hamza Fahim, Jalisha Urquhart, Jed Suyat, Nicholas Priebe, Joseph Simms, Kinda Ahmed, Mac Williams, Renata Delaflor, Shruthi Rao, Stav Boateng-Gyimah, Tori Rudd, William Hernandez, Reema Abuelrish, Yasmin Jaramillo, and Sagar Sharmahad. Emily Sexauer, Katlyn Weiser, Caitlin Lively, Brendan Sullivan, Eric Nielson, Kiera Johnson, Clement Lupton, Zhiwei Lei, and Nick Fisch filed a report alleging Anastasia Slepukhova, Danielle Ambersley, Dustin Cone, Erik Truong, Erin Whitton, Felix Rubble, Hailey Frye, Hamza Fahim, Jalisha Urquhart, Jed Suyat, Nicholas Priebe, Joseph Simms, Kinda Ahmed, Mac Williams, Renata Delaflor, Shruthi Rao, Stav Boateng-Gyimah, Tori Rudd, William Hernandez, Reema Abuelrish, Yasmin Jaramillo, and Sagar Sharmahad violated sections 6.1.2. and 6.1.3.1. of the George Mason Election Code.

6.1.2 No Candidate for Senate shall spend over \$350 on their Campaign

6.1.3.1 Any financial costs accrued from campaign material that furthers the campaign of more than one candidate will be applied to all involved candidates spending limits.

The grievance was heard on April 10th at 8:15 am after a request by the EDC was announced for all campaign receipts.

Commissioners Jesse Muzzy, Colin Sapko and Priya Sorot, as well as advisor Phil McDaniel were present.

The vote was to determine if the senate candidates of the “TransformMason” coalition exceeded their campaign spending limits. With a vote of **2-0-1**, the Elections and Disputes Commission found Anastasia Slepukhova, Danielle Ambersley, Dustin Cone, Erik Truong, Erin Whitton, Felix Rubble, Hailey Frye, Hamza Fahim, Jalisha Urquhart, Jed Suyat, Nicholas Priebe, Joseph Simms, Kinda Ahmed, Mac Williams, Renata Delaflor, Shruthi Rao, Stav Boateng-Gyimah, Tori Rudd, William Hernandez, Reema Abuelrish, Yasmin Jaramillo, and Sagar Sharmahad in violation of Section 6.1.2 of the Election Code. As such, by vote of the Elections and Disputes Commission, Anastasia Slepukhova, Danielle Ambersley, Dustin Cone, Erik Truong, Erin Whitton, Felix Rubble, Hailey Frye, Hamza Fahim, Jalisha Urquhart, Jed Suyat, Nicholas Priebe, Joseph Simms, Kinda Ahmed, Mac Williams, Renata Delaflor, Shruthi Rao, Stav Boateng-

Gyimah, Tori Rudd, William Hernandez, Reema Abuelrish, Yasmin Jaramillo, and Sagar Sharmahad are charged with three strikes.

The EDC has determined that due to the consistent and explicit use of the term “TransforMMason” (Logo, hashtag, flyers, social media) on various senate AND executive campaign materials, all materials used for the Kanos/Dugan campaign should count towards the senate spending limits, as outlined in section 6.1.3.1. The use of “TransforMMason” by both the senate candidates and executive ticket implies the organizations worked together and would be viewed this way by a Mason Student. The EDC has found that the cumulative spending of the senate “TransformMason” coalition is approximately \$522.38, therefore putting each senator over the spending limit as defined in Section 6.1.2. by approximately \$172.38.

As defined by section 9.3. in the Election Code, *upon accumulation of three strikes, the candidate will be disqualified*, Anastasia Slepukhova, Danielle Ambersley, Dustin Cone, Erik Truong, Erin Whitton, Felix Rubble, Hailey Frye, Hamza Fahim, Jalisha Urquhart, Jed Suyat, Nicholas Priebe, Joseph Simms, Kinda Ahmed, Mac Williams, Renata Delaflor, Shruthi Rao, Stav Boateng-Gyimah, Tori Rudd, William Hernandez, Reema Abuelrish, Yasmin Jaramillo, and Sagar Sharmahad have been disqualified from the 2017 Spring Student Government election. Please review the attached excel document that describes explicit and approximated campaign expenditures as determined by the EDC.

Commissioners Voting Aye: Commissioner Muzzy, Commissioner Sorot

Commissioners Voting Nay:

Commissioners Abstaining: Chair Sapko