

Elections Committee Special Meeting – Grievance Hearing Minutes April 8, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER at 12 PM

II. ROLL CALL/ INTRODUCTIONS OF ATTENDEES

Present: Sia Saquee, Imani Davis, Masoud Hamidi, Bomani Howard, James Carroll, Melissa Barron, Daisy Maxion, Lynn Bo, Brittney Golez, Kabir Dhillon, Dessiree Cuevas

III. HEARING – STATEMENTS & QUESTIONS

S. Saquee explains the process of the hearing. There is one complain involving Empower and Evolve. **J. Carroll** states that Chelsea Trinidad against Empower and Evolve filed the complaint. She was walking by the Valley and Tech building where she believes Kabir, Dessiree and Britney went up to her and tried to force her to vote for them. They had the link to vote open on their mobile device and were forcing her to vote for them. They kept insisting her and as she left they followed her to force her to vote for them. I followed up with Chelsea and asked her specific questions. The one question was how she knew them. She said she knew it was them because of their cadency and the information on their slate handout. It wasn't one hundred percent clear if she had voted there or not. She confirmed that she did not accept it and did not vote there. **D. Cuevas** asks if the only evidence that was submitted the email. There weren't any pictures or videos? **S. Saquee** states no. **K. Dhillon** states that this incident occurred Tuesday the 26th around 3:10pm. **S. Saquee** states yes outside VBT walkway. **B. Golez** asks if they are allowed to see the actual response from Chelsea. **J. Carroll** states yes and hands the email Brittney. **K. Dhillon** states that he submits a paper copy as evidence. He states that Chelsea claims that he pressured her to vote at 3:10pm on the 26th but on the 26th I had a computer science class from 2:45pm to 4pm. In the paper copy I provided my professor can confirm my attendance so it was not possible for me to have been there. **D. Cuevas** states that at 2:45pm had a class presentation. She and Britney were at VBT building but did not approach a Chelsea. We do have proof because we did talk to students outside the VBT building and got their Instagram handles. **S. Saquee** asks to clarify. **D. Cuevas** states that we asked if they wanted to follow our Instagram and have updates. If they said yes we got their handles and if they said no then we didn't. **S. Saquee** asks if she know how Chelsea looks like. **D. Cuevas** states no. **M. Hamidi** asks if they know Chelsea. **L. Bo** states she knows her but we aren't friends. I've worked alongside with her because she is in my ASI Event Squad. **M. Hamidi** asks so she is part of ASI. **L. Bo** states that she is a volunteer. **I. Davis** asks to Britney is she know Chelsea. **B. Golez** states no. **I. Davis** asks if they were campaigning in front of VBT around that time. **K. Dhillon** states he was in class. **I. Davis** states but you were in campaigning in front of the VBT. **D. Cuevas**



states yes, outside near the tables. **I. Davis** asks if they personally know every person they went up to and got their Instagram. **B. Golez** states that the way Desiree and I did it was introducing ourselves and asking if they knew that the ASI elections were happening. If they did or didn't we still asked if we can connect on social media. It was no pressure it is only a way to get to know people. **S. Saquee** asks if they had flyers on them. **B. Golez** states they did. Does she have evidence or a flyer of ours? I can remember every name from that day and I don't remember meeting a Chelsea. **D. Cuevas** states we always asked if they had a quick minute to talk before and if they said no we left. **I. Davis** asks do you have a list of all the names or people you spoke to. **B. Golez** states that she can pull them up. **S. Saquee** states to give it to them before the meeting ends. What time did you present? **K. Dhillon** states they presented at 2:45pm to 2:50pm. It was a 5 minutes presentation. **M. Hamidi** asks if they were together. **K. Dhillon** states yes, we were together but then I went to class. **I. Davis** asks if they went to the class for a presentation or to campaign. **K. Dhillon** states that they received permission from the instructor to give a presentation about our campaign. **I. Davis** states you were able to disperse because you were already in your class and they left. **K. Dhillon** states that his class was in the Arts and Education building. **J. Carroll** states that all the information and evidence that I presented was what Chelsea provided. **B. Golez** on behalf of Empower we don't condone harassment of students. I wasn't there so I don't know if what she is saying is true or not. Walking around and harassing a student that has to go to class is a vote against us and it is a really bad reputation for our name. We know the rules since most of us have been in ASI before. We wouldn't do anything to risk anything to lose our position. There is no physical evidence and this situation is he said she said. **B. Golez** gives thanks to the committee. I hope that the evidence shows that the Kabir was in class and it goes against the claim. **K. Dhillon** states that this claim does not have enough evidence. **D. Cuevas** asks if Chelsea has a close relationship with the other slate. **S. Saquee** states that they are not currently aware of any. **D. Cuevas** states that they were at the VBT building and many people saw us. **I. Davis** states that she does not understand why she is saying that she was being forced to vote. Did you have phone on your hands? **D. Cuevas** states that the only time we handed over our phone was to get their social media handle.

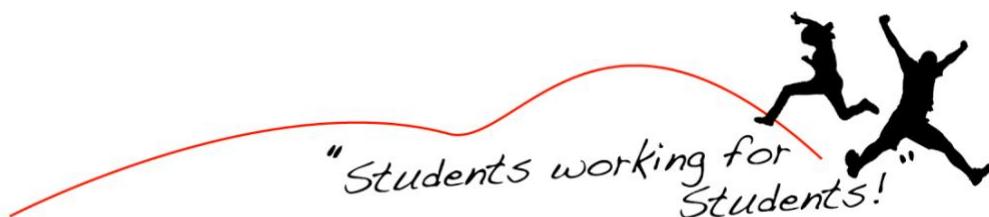
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IV. HEARING – DELIBERATION [CLOSED SESSION]

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V. HEARING – COMMITTEE DECISION

The committee has deliberated and based on the evidence presented, they believe it does not rise to meet the preponderance of the evidence and not imposing any sanctions on Empower or Evolve.





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VI. ADJOURNMENT at **12:33 PM**

Committee Chair

Name: Sia Saquee

Minutes Approved on:

04-18-19

Date:

