Ruling #11

March 2013 Executive and BoG Election Expense Report – William Lau, Candidate for Vice President (Student Life)

Parties to the Ruling

- William Lau, Candidate for Vice President (Student Life)
- Farid Iskandar, Chief Returning Officer

Applicable Bylaws, Rules, and Regulations

- Bylaw 2200 §44 (Expense Reporting)
- Bylaw 2200 §48 (Penalties Available)
- Rules delivered via email to all candidates and at the mandatory candidates' meeting.

Facts

- 1. William Lau present at the mandatory candidates' meeting on February 15 at 18:00.
- 2. Candidates William Lau was represented by volunteer Victoria Woo at the mandatory candidates meeting on Tuesday March 5, 2013 at 17:00. At that candidates' meeting the Chief Returning Officer informed candidates that the deadline for submitting the Expense Report is Wednesday March 6, 2013 at 13:00 as per Bylaw 2200 §44 (2). The C.R.O. further stipulated that there will be a fine levied on those who do not submit the expense report, and that the a new deadline for the expense report will be 24 hours after the original deadline (Tuesday March 7, 2013 at 13:00). The C.R.O. further stipulated that those who do not submit an expense by the new deadline will be disqualified. These regulations were mentioned at the February 15, 2013 candidates' meeting.
- 3. By 13:00 March 6, 2013 the Chief Returning Officer did not receive an expense report from candidate William Lau.
- 4. At approximately 14:05 March 6, 2013 the Chief Returning Officer informed Candidate William Lau of the violation, and stated that a ruling shall be forthcoming.

Ruling

- 1. All candidates and sides are required to read, understand, and comply with all Rules & Regulations and Bylaws and were informed as such in the nomination package and at the mandatory candidates' meeting. All parties to this ruling were present or represented at the mandatory candidates' meeting.
- 2. The C.R.O. finds that candidate William Lau violated §44 (2) of Bylaw 2200. The C.R.O. is empowered to fine candidate William Lau as per Bylaw 2200 §44 (6). The fine shall be the one stipulated at the candidates meeting on February 15 and March 5, 2013.



3. Candidate William Lau shall be levied a punitive fine of \$25.00. Furthermore, candidate William Lau must submit the expense report by Thursday, March 7, 2013 at 13:00.

Fine

- 1. A punitive fine of \$25.00 be levied against William Lau's campaign budget.
- 2. Candidate William Lau must submit the expense report by Thursday, March 7, 2013 at 13:00.

So decided: Wednesday, March 6, 2013 @ 15:15. Time limit for appeal: Friday, March 8, 2013 @ 11:15

Please direct any inquiries towards:

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