

DECISION OF THE DISCIPLINE, INTERPRETATION,  
AND ENFORCEMENT BOARD

**REQUEST TO APPEAL**

**DATE:**

September 19, 2003

**D.I.E. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chris Samuel, Chair

William McBeath

Debora Philips

Jason Tobias

Vincent Tong

**APPEAL DETAILS:**

APPELLANT: Paul Reikie

**SUMMARY OF ALLEGATION AND RESPONSE:**

Mr. Reikie seeks an exception to Bylaw 100 Section 11e, which prohibits a Students' Union Councilor who has been expelled for missing more than five Students' Council meetings, or three consecutive meetings, from being re-elected or appointed to Council in the same year in which they were removed. Mr. Reikie believes an exception is in order due to his expulsion from Students' Council being the fault his proxy, the 87% voter support he received in the election, and his belief that he is the most qualified candidate.

**DECISION:**

While the D.I.E. Board is sympathetic to Mr. Reikie and the circumstances surrounding his expulsion from Students' Council, and subsequent ineligibility to be re-elected or appointed, the Board does not have the authority or power to grant anyone any exception to any bylaw for any reason. The authority and power of the D.I.E. Board is restricted to only interpreting and enforcing the legislation of the Students' Union. Since there are no grounds for deliberation, the D.I.E. Board refuses to hear the appeal.

The Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement (D.I.E.) Board functions as the judicial branch of the Students' Union, and is responsible for interpreting and enforcing all Students' Union legislation. If anyone has any questions regarding the D.I.E. Board, feel free to contact the Chair, Chris Samuel, at [dieboard@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:dieboard@su.ualberta.ca) .