



**Elections Committee Minutes 17-06**  
**April 4, 2017 2:00-3:00pm**  
**USU 3700- ASI Conference Room**

Elections Committee  
 2016-2017

Members

**Samuel Ramtin**  
*Chair*

**Collin Bogie**  
*ASI Representative &  
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**Christopher Morales**  
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**Rodger D'Andreas**  
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**Ashley Fennell**  
*Government Affairs  
 Coordinator*

**Ahmbra Austin**  
*Media & Communications  
 Coordinator*

ITEM	SUBJECT	PRESENTER
01	<b>Call to Order</b> The meeting was called to order at 2:01pm	<b>Sam Ramtin</b> Elections Chair
02	<b>Roll Call</b> <b>Present: Sam, Collin, Chris, Stephanie, Jordan, Rodger, Ashley</b> <b>Absent: Rye, Kelcee, Ahmbra</b>	<b>Sam Ramtin</b> Elections Chair
03	<b>Recognition of Guests</b> <b>Kim Clark, Aaron Herrscher, Leon Striker, Kacie Rice, Miranda Padron</b>	<b>Sam Ramtin</b> Elections Chair
04 Action	<b>Approval of Agenda</b> Collin motioned to approve the agenda Chris-2 <sup>nd</sup> Motion Carries	<b>Sam Ramtin</b> Elections Chair
05 Action	<b>Approval of Minutes</b> Collin motioned to approve the minutes Chris-2 <sup>nd</sup> Motion Carries	<b>Sam Ramtin</b> Elections Chair
06 Information	<b>Open Forum</b> <b>Guest Aaron Herrscher</b> spoke on behalf of David Bleshenski's complaint regarding the committee's decision to - disqualify only Chris Lee from the elections process rather than holding the entire slate responsible. He believes their entire slate should be held responsible if his slate was held responsible for the campaign language used by one of their slate members. <b>Kim Clark</b> clarified that David submitted a complaint, not an appeal. The committee would be unable to examine that complaint at this meeting since it was not the agenda. But, it will be placed on the agenda for the next elections meeting. <b>Guest Leon Striker</b> asked that his agenda item for the review of his appeal be discussed in open session. Kim Clark clarified that he can present to the committee prior to moving into closed session, but deliberation and decision would be conducted in closed session. The decision of the committee would then be reported out in open session. Leon agreed that was satisfactory and fulfilled his original intent for asking for open session.	<b>Sam Ramtin</b> Elections Chair
07 Action	<b>Closed Session, Pursuant to CA Education Code Section 89307 ( c ) (1): Review of Candidate Appeal- Leon Striker</b> The ASI Elections Committee will review and take action on candidate appeal of removal from the ASI Elections process.	<b>Kim Clark</b> Associate Vice President, Student Auxiliary Services & Executive Director, ASI and U-Corp

	<p><b>Leon Striker</b> presented his appeal case regarding his removal from the elections process. He believed the information he presented in the classroom presentations was truthful and in accordance with the code of conduct outlined in the elections packet. He referenced character witness statements from a classmate in the class in question, the professor of the class, and another professor's presentation review and feedback. He claimed there was lack of evidence of his removal and his disqualification was unwarranted and unjust. He also voiced concerns regarding the process of the investigation and notification of the investigation. He asked the committee to reinstate him as a candidate.</p> <p>Committee had no additional questions for candidate.</p> <p><b>Chris motioned to move into closed session</b></p> <p><b>Jordan-2<sup>nd</sup></b></p> <p><b>Motion Carries</b></p> <p><b>Sam handed the gavel to Collin. Rodger, Ashley, and Sam left. Kim Clark stayed as presenter.</b></p> <p><b>After moving back into open session, Kim Clark reported that the committee unanimously decided to overturn the disqualification of candidate Leon Striker. He will be returned as a candidate in the ASI Elections.</b></p>	
<p><b>08</b> <b>Action</b></p>	<p><b>Closed Session, Pursuant to CA Education Code Section 89307 ( c ) (1): Review of Candidate Appeal- Christopher Lee</b></p> <p>The ASI Elections Committee will review and take action on candidate appeal of removal from the ASI Elections process.</p> <p>Candidate was not in attendance to give appeal presentation.</p> <p><b>Chris motioned to move into closed session</b></p> <p><b>Jordan-2<sup>nd</sup></b></p> <p><b>Motion Carries</b></p> <p><b>After moving back into open session, Kim Clark reported that the committee unanimously decided to uphold the disqualification of candidate Chris Lee from the ASI elections process. He will not be returned as a candidate.</b></p>	<p><b>Kim Clark</b> Associate Vice President, Student Auxiliary Services &amp; Executive Director, ASI and U-Corp</p>
<p><b>09</b> <b>Action</b></p>	<p><b>Verification of Election Results</b></p> <p>Review elections results.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact: No</b></p> <p><b>Collin</b> voiced concerns regarding verifying results, based on complaint submitted that is pending committee review. He believed the committee needs to address the complaint before verifying results. The committee discussed -whether it would complicate the process to approve the elections results, and then later recall a candidate or candidates if that is the committee's decision based on the pending complaint. The committee also reviewed their current decision to hold one candidate rather than the entire slate responsible for the actions of a particular candidate.</p> <p><b>Collin</b> reiterated concerns -regarding approving the results and wondered if the removed candidate's</p>	<p><b>Ashley Fennell</b> Government Affairs Coordinator</p>

	<p>election code violation had an impact on the voter turnout and elections outcomes.</p> <p><b>At the will of the chair, the meeting was extended to 3:15pm</b></p> <p><b>Collin motioned to table the verification of the election results</b></p> <p><b>Chris-2<sup>nd</sup></b></p> <p><b>Motion Carries</b></p> <p>The committee will reconvene at a special meeting tomorrow from 4-5pm</p>	
<p><b>10</b></p> <p><b>Information</b></p>	<p><b>Announcements</b></p> <p><b>None</b></p>	<p><b>Sam Ramtin</b></p> <p>Elections Chair</p>
<p><b>11</b></p> <p><b>Action</b></p>	<p><b>Adjournment</b></p> <p><b>Chris motioned to adjourn the meeting</b></p> <p><b>Jordan-2<sup>nd</sup></b></p> <p><b>Motion Carries</b></p> <p><b>The meeting was adjourned at 3:13pm</b></p>	<p><b>Sam Ramtin</b></p> <p>Elections Chair</p>

I, Sam Ramtin, Chair of Elections Committee 16/17, hereby certify that the above Minutes were approved by the Elections Committee., at a meeting held on April 5, 2017



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Chair

Date