Judicial Council Emergency Meeting

January 29, 2018

SGA Meeting Room

Present:Annalicia Carlson, Lane Hedrick, Megan Armstrong, Jacob McAndrews, Yasmine Sadrinia, Isaac Keller, Caroline Simpson

Guests: Andi Dahmer, William Hurst, Kara Lowrey, Connor Houndshell, Members of the Western Kentucky University Herald, etc.

Non-Present:

**The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by Chief Justice Annalicia Carlson.**

Business:

1. **It should be noted that the following outlines of speeches were typed from written notes that were taken during each of the three speeches given to the Judicial Council. They are not word for word, but instead capture the overall arguments made by each individual as well as the sections of the SGA Constitution he or she utilized to support their argument.**
2. Amy Wyer, Director of Public Relations
   1. The issue at hand was a referendum, not a general election – thus making the language different
   2. Section 11.1 mentioned
   3. Director of PR is in charge of election procedures, which does not include a referendum
   4. Elections and referendums must be publicized, which the Director of PR did
3. Senator William Hurst
   1. Violation of: 2.7.3 and 2.7.5 – which outline Public Relations advertising via the Director
   2. Claims that in Fall 2017, there was a significant discrepancy in the voting amendment surrounding the executive cabinet. This particular amendment failed.
   3. Claims that election procedures should still function for a referendum
   4. Mentions the use of social media
4. Emily Houston, Director of Academic and Student Affairs
   1. Claims there was not a huge discrepancy, as there were 119 votes compared to 117 and 116
   2. Cites 5.5.2, which concerns the duties of the public relations committee surrounding meetings, activities, and programs
5. Senator William Hurst responds, claiming the committee did advertise after the announcement of the election
6. Judicial Council enters discussion
   1. The question at hand was whether or not the results were valid because of the advertising, not if Amy did/did not fulfill her duties.
   2. The Judicial Council decided that the referendum results were valid, as the PR Committee advertised the voting during the voting period.

**The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 by Chief Justice Annalicia Carlson**.