

April 14, 2023

Election Administrator's Decision

Decision #2023/14

CSU Procedure BD06.1: Elections includes the following provisions:

Campaign Expenses

1. A candidate may incur up to \$100 in expenses for campaign activities, which shall be reimbursed to the candidate upon conclusion of the campaign period.
2. Within 72 hours of the end of the campaign period, a candidate must submit an expense report to the elections administrator detailing all campaign expenses, signed by the candidate and supported by itemized receipts.
3. If a candidate receives goods or services for campaign activities below market cost (for example, if a family member or friend owns a t-shirt screening service and provides the candidate with free or discounted campaign t-shirts), then the candidate must report those goods and services to the elections administrator, who shall assess the fair market value toward the candidate's expense total.

Candidate Sahil Sahil submitted an expense report claiming \$106 in expenses.

Candidate Janique De Leon submitted an expense report claiming \$93.50 in expenses for posters, buttons and caps (hats). The receipts she submitted showed that she spent \$95.92 on the posters and buttons. However, she was unable to submit a receipt for the caps. A quick search of amazon.ca shows that no cap can be had for less than \$5 and most cost much more than that. While it is not possible to determine the exact amount spent on the caps, it is clear that the cost of even one cap would put Ms. De Leon over the \$100 spending limit.

Both candidates hereby formally warned that they have violated the campaign spending limit and that any future violation will be dealt with more severely, including by disqualification.

Both Candidates have 48 hours from the time they receive this decision to submit an appeal in the manner set forth in CSU Regulation BD-06.1.



David Ennis
CSU Election Administrator