

March 17, 2023

**Election Administrator's Decision**

Decision #2023/7

The attached complaint was received as timely and met requirements for an official complaint under the CSU regulations. As the complainant expressed a wish to remain anonymous, information identifying them has been redacted.

The complainant alleges that several candidates were slating (i.e. running together as a group) contrary to Election procedure BD-06.1. In support of this allegation the complainant submitted two screenshots of SMS messages that include the names of a number of candidates for various CSU offices. The name of the sender of the SMS has been blocked out in the screen shot.

I contacted the complainant and they were not able to provide any further evidence to support the allegation of slating.

Candidates running as a group is against the rules, However, in this case, there is not enough evidence to reach any conclusion about what happened. In particular, since it is not clear that any of the candidates created or sent this SMS, it is not clear that any slating has occurred.

Accordingly, the complaint is dismissed.

The complainant has 48 hours from the time they receive this decision to submit an appeal in the manner set forth in CSU Regulation BD-06.1.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Ennis', written in a cursive style.

David Ennis  
CSU Election Administrator

## ANNEX 1 – Official complaint

# CSU Election Complaint Template

**Submitted:**

March 16, 2023 · 09:25

**Your full name:**

[redacted]

**Capilano University email address:**

[redacted]

**What is the nature of your complaint?**

I have an official election complaint

## Candidate Complaint

*This area may be blank if not applicable.*

**When did you learn about the issue you are complaining about?**

Mar 16, 2023

**Are you a candidate, student, or other?**

[redacted]

**Name of the person(s) you are complaining about.**

Prateek, Amar Gill, Gagandeep rai

**Names and contact details (email address and/or telephone number) of any witness who can verify your complaint:**

[redacted]

**Description of the issue in question:**

According to CSU Bylaw VII, Section 14, no candidate is allowed to run together or no supporter can support multiple candidates at one time. I got a screenshot in the morning from my friend that he got a message from someone to vote for some candidates on different positions. As well as I got to know from him that they are circulating this message with everyone they know in the university. The main person who started this is a boy named as Dilkaran (according to the witness). These are very wrong practices that they all are playing to get votes. This makes difficult and very wrong for other potential candidates. (Sorry all the language that all can see is in Punjabi language but I needed to report this as this is wrong anyways). (Just for the concern of Electoral commission the second photo in the evidence is chat between me and my friend whereas the first one shows the chat between my friend and the other person who sent him the list of members to be voted)

**Upload any evidence you may have here:**

[redacted image]

**How would you like the issue to be resolved?**

They should be disqualified

**Do you wish to remain anonymous?:**

Yes, I wish to remain anonymous, even if it limits action on my complaint