Election Supervisory Board Advisory Opinion (ESB/AO 2018-006)

Subject: Reinstated Candidates and Financial Disclosures

Whereas, Sec. 2.7 of the Campus-Wide Election Code defines “candidate” as “any student consenting or endeavoring to be elected as expressed by filing to run for office in accordance with this and all applicable election codes”, and;

Whereas, Sec. 7.17 requires Financial Disclosure statements to be filed at the specified times within the Campus-Wide Election Code, and;

Whereas, Disqualified candidates no longer “endeavor” to be elected, which means they are no longer candidates, and;

Whereas, Those who are not candidates are not liable under the Campus-Wide Election code, and;

Whereas, Financial disclosures are not required of non-candidates, and;

Whereas, Candidates were reinstated mid-campaign season by the Election Supervisory Board, and;

Resolved: The ESB does not require non-candidates to submit financial disclosures. Upon the time that a disqualified candidate is reinstated, they are only liable for financial disclosures during their candidacy, including the upcoming financial disclosure statements from the moment of reinstatement.

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