

Present  
Max Freedman (Chair)  
Taylor Fox  
Ivy Missen  
Kyle Shishkin

Begin: 6:29 PM, 10/5/17  
Adjourn: 6:54 pm

Chair: Allegation is that you didn't attend the Rules meeting on 10/3, which is a necessary component of being a candidate, in addition to submitting the petition. You can submit an accommodation ahead of time if you can't make it, but that didn't happen. The party of the second part responded that there was a family circumstance that I won't detail into the minutes because they were of financial and personal matters. If true, they're compelling. You received a phone call from your father...do you have your phone with you?

Kyle: I have my phone with me...I have another part of the story to share. I'd love to begin with an apology. I was in the wrong and I'm taking responsibility for it. I wish I hadn't missed the meeting. I'm a second week student in university overwhelmed by the different opportunities – pretty stressed, anxious...and it's an overwhelming week for sure. After class, I stayed back because the teacher wanted to speak with me. We could have the teacher – Adam (?)quist – for Power to speak with you.

Chair: That's fine.

*[Note: the ensuing paragraph has been redacted to protect confidentiality]*

Kyle: My parents were stressed with my joining [REDACTED] and they considered [REDACTED] taking harsh measures against me. I was overwhelmed b/c of these factors and anxious because of my parents' threat and I couldn't find the Cox Lounge. Someone texted me that I had to be there. I think Sat gave a presentation after that I heard in full...

Chair: So I'll clarify – there are separate parts of the election. The rules component is mandatory, and the tabling / signing up for the copy code are optional. Sat, sitting chair of College Council, wanted to provide more than what E&R provides in how to be involved should you win or lose. His presentation should've been upstairs.

Kyle: I was 25 minutes late, which was a central part of the meeting. I don't want to cast any judgment of this allegation, but I think I got a lot of information from this packet. I have yet to break any rules and I don't intend to, and I will abide by the packet. My slate and I have worked on this campaign for over a month...I have records I was working on this of roughly a month ago. A lot of personal investment and good intent is in this campaign. It would ultimately be quite unfair to suspend my campaign because of my tardiness. Malay, David, and Anna/Adam (?) – it would be unfair to my slate members. That is my case – if you have any questions.

Chair: Do you have any phone records? I understand if it's not in English...that's ok.

Kyle: [Shows messages to Max] I can translate if needed.

Chair: What time is 17:00?

Ivy/Taylor: 17:00 is fine.

Chair: Do you have the call?

Kyle: I don't because I clear my cell every once in a while, but I have the messages.

Chair: We'll go into deliberative session and email you.

Kyle: Do I keep campaigning?

Chair: We can't take more than an hour to decide.

[6:40: Kyle leaves; meeting goes into deliberative session]

Ruling: Pursuant to Title IX § C(1) of the E&R House Rules, and in consideration of what amounts to a clear, convincing, and unavoidable circumstance of a personal nature, E&R finds that the candidate, Kyle Shishkin, can appear on the ballot as an official candidate contingent upon his completion of a rules presentation by the Chair not later than 10:00 am CDT on Monday, October 9, 2017.

Aye: 2

No: 0

Abstain: Chair