To: Appellant Elizabeth “Liz” Lebeau  
Date: April 9, 2023  
From: Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs  
RE: Decision on Appeal from EC 06. 04 Opinion dated March 30, 2023  
Judiciary of the Illinois Student Government, Sixth Assembly  

I have reviewed your Letter of Appeal dated April 3, 2023, regarding the March 30, 2023, opinion of the Judiciary of the Illinois Student Government Sixth Assembly (EC 06.04). In that opinion, the Judiciary determined that you violated Section 11.01 of the Election Code, which prohibits the formation of a slate.

The grounds for any appeal of an election decision by the Judiciary are:

- Procedural error that resulted in material harm or prejudice to the petitioner(s) or respondent(s) (i.e. by preventing a fair, impartial, or proper hearing/deliberation);
- Discovery of substantial new evidence that was unavailable at the time of the decision and which reasonably could have affected the decision of the Illinois Student Government Judiciary; or
- Sanctions imposed is grossly disproportionate to the violation(s) committed, considering the relevant aggravating and/or mitigating factors.

In your appeal letter, you acknowledge sharing your friend’s post and their opinion for candidates to thank them for their support. There was no proof of “collaborat[ing] with one another on a platform, campaign events, or campaign materials”. Therefore, I am overturning the Judiciary’s ruling that you violated the Election Code as expressed in EC 06.04.

As set forth above, sanctions which are grossly disproportionate to the violation(s) committed can serve as grounds to overturn a decision. Here, the sanction issued in EC 06.04, which consisted of imposing a fine of $68.68 to the campaign of Liz LeBeau & Jayden Forte for Student Body President & Vice President. There is no proof that all 317 followers viewed the post. Furthermore, if a follower did view the post, there is no proof they voted for those candidates. Thus, I am overturning the remedy of fining $68.68 as described in EC 06.04.

This decision is final.

Best,

Dr. Danita M. Brown Young