

Santa Fe College Student Government – Judicial Branch

Elections Commission Meeting

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

- Call to Order – Tyler Harris, Elections Supervisor at 5:30 PM

- Quorum met. Present were: 2018 Elections Supervisor, Elections Commission Voting Members, (2) Associate Justices, Bailiff of the Supreme Court, Student Government Advisor, and Guests.

- New Business
 - **Elections Issue Discussion**
 - Dr. Doug Bagby, Student Government Advisor, came in to bring up an elections topic of discussion -- On January 22, 2018 Alejandro Puga and Antoneik Evans turned in applications for Student Body President and Vice President. After turning in the applications, Evans wrote a letter stating that wanted to withdraw her application. Shortly after, Puga turned in an application for Chief Justice since he no longer had a running mate for President. On Friday, February 9, 2019, which was the deadline to turn in applications, Alejandro Puga and Antoneik Evans decided they wished to be put back into the running for President and Vice President. These notifications were received after the deadline of 4 PM ET.
 - Alejandro Puga distributed his written response to the commission describing the situation and spoke to solidify their case.
 - Puga was busy from 1-8 PM on Friday the 9th with the Student Government Finance Committee and could not take action on this while in that meeting.
 - Antoneik Evans then explained her situation. She is hoping to enter the SF Nursing Program and was gaining information about the Nursing Program after submitting the initial application to determine whether or not she would have the time to be on the Leadership Team.
 - Evans was trying to contact Dr. Bagby on Friday while he was in the Finance Committee. No contact was able to be established.
 - Puga and Evans explained to the commission how they have worked out a schedule that would work if they were to potentially be elected to Student Body President and Vice President.
 - The Elections Commission engaged in a question and answer session with Puga and Evans to gain more information about the issue at hand.

- Both Puga and Evans were asked to exit the deliberation room so the Commission could discuss the issue.
- The Commission debated on the issue and decided to vote.
- Final Vote: Yes - **2** No - **3** Abstain - **0**
- The Elections Commission decision: Alejandro Puga and Antoneik Evans will not be permitted to run for Student Body President and Vice President.
- The Committee then began deliberations on whether or not to accept Puga's Chief Justice application, which was turned in before the deadline and not withdrawn.
- The committee unanimously voted to accept Alejandro Puga's Chief Justice application.
- **Next Meeting Date and Time**
 - Commission members decided to meet next week on Thursday, February 22, 2018 at 12:30 PM ET.
- Adjournment
 - Meeting adjourned by Tyler Harris, Elections Supervisor at 6:30 PM ET.

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