

### **Ruling #2**

March 2020 Executive Committee and BOG Representative General Election  
Pre-Campaigning – David Draper, Candidate for Vice President Academic

### **Parties to the Ruling**

- David Draper, Candidate for Vice President Academic
- Eric Einarson, Complainant
- Muneeb Ahsan, Chief Returning Officer

### **Applicable Bylaws, Rules, Regulations**

1. Bylaw 2200 §21 (Prohibition on Pre-campaigning)
  - “No side manager, volunteer, or candidate shall engage in campaign activities between the nomination deadline or Students’ Council initiation of a plebiscite/referenda and the commencement of the campaign”

### **Facts**

1. The Complainant, Eric Einarson, filed a complaint at 20:23 on February 22, 2020.
2. David Draper, Candidate for Vice President Academic, is alleged to have published a campaign post around 18:00 on Facebook prior to the commencement of the campaign period at 09:00 on February 24, 2020.
3. The Complainant provided evidence corroborating the allegation.
4. Muneeb Ahsan, Chief Returning Officer, investigated the matter noting a potential reach of 837 (100 estimated) on the social media post.

### **Ruling**

- David Draper, Candidate for Vice President Academic, did contravene Bylaw 2200 §21.

### **Penalty**

1. David Draper, Candidate for Vice President Academic, will be assessed a fine of \$10.00 under the Schedule of Fines & Penalties.

Decided: February 23, 2020 at 14:30

Time Limit for appeal: February 24, 2020 at 14:30

Please direct any inquiries to:

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