## Elections Board Minutes

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4/17/18, 9:00 AM

Nati Conference Room

**CALL TO ORDER**

**A. MEETING BUSINESS**

1. **Roll Call**

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| **Name** | **Note:**  absent (excused/not excused)  arrived late (time)  departed early (time)  proxy (full name) | **Name** | **Note:**  absent (excused/not excused)  arrived late (time)  departed early (time)  proxy (full name) |
| Davis Quan | **Present** | Siddhant Gannu | **Present** |
| John Paul Renteria | **Present** | Stoddy Carey | **Absent** |
| Cindy Lopez | **Present** | Kia Sadeghi | **Absent** |
| Andrew Yan | **Present** | Hieu Le | **Absent** |
| Emma Xing | **Absent (Excused)** | Ali Suebert | **Absent** |
| Hattie Grace | **Absent (Excused)** | Ruth Garcia Guevara | **Present** |
| Jennifer Pantoja | **Present** |  |  |

**Also in attendance: Jack Tannenbaum**

**B. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**B.1. SAG**

Jack: My office for the past two quarters has been working on poll projects. We made a big poll and see if it’s a representative example of campus. We cleaned it up and would give it to candidates to look at because its important and gives them a look at constituents. We were talking to Sean about putting it on the ballot because I think its important for us to see what they think. I realize someone has a link/poll page at the end of the ballot (Chelsea) so I was wondering if it was possible to add ours. Otherwise we’re okay with pushing it through a university announcement and tabling.

Ruth: Someone has already approached us about a poll because it is a good place to put a poll. The board is going to have to talk to Sean, so we can’t give you a decision on that right now.

Jack: I totally understand. It’s fine.

Ruth: We’ll do research on our end and we’ll let you know.

Jack: Second part of me coming here is if current members of AS can support independent candidates. If I campaign as a person and through my positions, is that allowed?

Ruth: What do you mean by campaigning?

Jack: Going into the arbor and flyer-ing and tabling out there. I want to be able to bout there as an individual and help a candidate out.

Ruth: Can we look at this in code?

Jack: There is a section in independent candidates and a section in endorsements. So, the first one says members of AS cannot endorse independent candidates. I would assume the idea of officers endorsing candidates would extend to campaigning. If I were part of a party, would I be able to use my position to endorse my party and help them campaign? Given that the thing allows me to endorse, what extent could I campaign?

Davis: I think Jack is okay as long as he doesn’t use the entity. I think that’s fine, but I cannot speak for the entire of the board. If current AS execs. Endorsed someone they would only use it for identification purposes. Do you mind giving us a list of all pieces of code you have been looking at?

Jack: Section 4.C. “Only current elected officers…” My thought would it be that they can endorse themselves and their party.

Ruth: I think we made that exception for independent candidates because they do have a hard time campaigning.

Cindy: It says endorse not campaign.

Davis: As and AS entity, like SAG, would he be able to make an endorsement thing?

Ruth: It’ll just go up as “Jack Tannenbaum.”

Davis: If we make it a rule on social media, we should not damper on what they do outside.

Sidd: I agree.

Davis: It’s probably going to require that we get one more person to speak on this. This is going to require a specific motion. We’ll probably have answer within the next hour.

Ruth: I will say this though; whatever the board regardless goes to go, be careful because others might perceive it and send in a complaint about it.

Cindy: If the current SAG endorses another SAG candidate then that may ensure that they might win.

Ruth: It shows on the link in the ballot. I also do think that endorsing and campaigning are two different things.

Davis: I think it’s fine that he is out there. I think the problem might arise if people ask him who he is.

**Motion to allow those who are currently elected in AS Executive positions to campaign for independent candidates on social media with a disclaimer noting their position and when campaigning only identify their position when prompted a question by a person.**

*First/Second: Yan/Gannu*

*Vote: 4-0-2*

*Motion Passes.*

**Meeting adjourned at 9:50 by Davis Quan.**