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Motion

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Date

May 9, 2023

UMSU Election Statement

Category
Standing Resolution

Motion

Whereas UMSU released a statement on March 15 that stated "in the situation of the Presidential race where a candidate had been disqualified by the Judicial Board shortly before the voting period was closed, all processes outlined in UMSU bylaws were appropriately followed," which remains on the website, and;

Whereas it has since been confirmed that the Judicial Board failed to announce the results of their decision concerning Langan's disqualification appeal within the timeframe mandated by Section XIX 5. j. of UMSU's election bylaws, which reads that: "the Chair shall issue the written ruling of the Judicial Board within 12 hours of the end of the meeting," instead announcing their decision approximately 20 hours later, and;

Whereas the suggestion that the Judicial Board took a recess under Section XIX 5. f. of UMSU's election bylaws, which reads that "the Judicial Board shall investigate the case as they deem appropriate, and may call a recess of no more than twelve hours in duration," has been debated, and;

Whereas this explanation fails to show that the rules were followed for the following two reasons:

1. Under Robert's Rules of Order (20:2), a recess is a motion that needs to be called. By the admission of the Judicial Board presenter, no such motion was ever called, and therefore Section XIX 5. f. was never invoked
2. Even if a recess had been called, it would have exceeded 12 hours, as, according to the presenter, the Judicial Board reconvened midday Friday, which is more than the 12 hours after Langan's hearing which, according to the presenter, ended at around 7:00 p.m. on Thursday;

Be it resolved that UMSU update the statement on the website to reflect the reality that not all of the processes outlined in the UMSU election bylaws were in fact appropriately followed.

Status
Pending

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