

Formal Complaint No. 4

Date Filed: February 28th/19

Nature of Complaint: Campaign Material Posted in Violation of UVSS Electoral Policy

The complaint alleges that a slate had committed multiple infractions of the UVSS Electoral Policy as well as UVic's Poster, Banner and Handbill Policy, by affixing several posters and handbills on Unit Specific Notice Boards, and that other posters and handbills had been affixed to classroom notice boards which are also Unit Specific Notice Boards, all of which is prohibited.

UVic's Poster, Banner and Handbill Policy, and its companion Student Election Poster and Banner Procedures Appendix, states that student elections posters and banners shall not be posted on doors or on glass, but may only be posted on general notice areas of Campus Notice Boards or on unpainted concrete, concrete block, or other stone surfaces that are protected from the weather, and locations identified in Appendix A.

Subsequent to the filing of the complaint the Chief Election Officer (CEO) advised the respondent of the nature of the complaint and gave the respondent an opportunity to respond pursuant to the Complaints and Appeals procedures of the Electoral Policy. The CEO was quickly advised by the respondent that the campaign manager had contacted the entire slate with the infraction details, and sent all Lead Directors to remove all posters and handbills across campus which were found to be in violation of the UVSS Electoral Policy, and that by mid-afternoon the Lead Directors had confirmed that all posters and banners found to be in violation had been removed across campus.

The Electoral Office considers this matter closed.