March 31, 2016

Question at hand:

On March 29, 2016 at 7:45 PM, the Student Elections Commission (SEC) received the following complaint:

On March 23, Clean Slate violated university policy and SEC policy by using the CGSA as a campaign space to make signs and store materials. The space has to be booked by student groups that meet specific criteria [listed below]. Not meeting this criteria is a violation. For instance, all slate members could not meet four volunteer hours per week by the time the office was used. Furthermore, if the space was booked on behalf of Clean Slate then this is illegal campaigning.

CGSA Requirements for using the space:
a) the space does not look the way it did when the group entered b) language is used that does not adhere to our mission statement (refer to bu.edu/youdo for the full text) c) not serving the required four volunteer hours per week and d) missing more than two working meetings a semester.

On March 23, Clean Slate violated university policy and SEC policy by using the CGSA as a campaign space to make signs and store materials. The space cannot be used for campaigning as it is a student group office—giving only Clean Slate access to this space is illegal campaigning on their behalf since this gives them advantages over others.

Findings:

3/31/16
In a vote of 10-0 with no abstentions the SEC has decided to dismiss these two complaints against Clean Slate using CGSA space on the grounds that CGSA had given Clean Slate explicit permission to use the space and was therefore not in violation of university policy nor elections code.