

Memorandum

To: The Texas Tech University Student Government Association Election Commission

From: Stovall, Weeks, Craig, & Yates Campaign Team

Date: Thursday, February, 28, 2013

Subject: Grievances against the Raiders United 2013 Campaign Team

We, the campaign team for Stovall, Weeks, Craig, & Yates, hereby file the following grievances against the Raiders United: Cotton, Dickens, Berger campaign team. We ask the Election Commission to review these grievances and consult the official Election Code on the rules and guidelines for all elections.

Email Spam: We have in our possession (attached) two emails in which the Raiders United campaign team has sent to mass populations including the University Fountains apartment complex and the Goin' Band from Raiderland. Both emails explicitly ask the readers to vote for Raiders United coalition members and Jill Berger's email signature is clearly seen (along with her current position's title) on one of the emails. This is a violation according to the Election Code Sections 2.14 and 6.08:

“Spamming: refers to use of electronic messaging systems to send unsolicited bulk messages indiscriminately.”

“In conjunction with the student code of conduct, spamming is not allowed under any circumstance.”

Facebook Event Posting: Alpha Phi posted (attached) on the 2013 Chilifest page asking all members of the event to vote for Raiders United coalition members. Alpha Phi also posted on their public 'like' page and asked their followers to support Raiders United. This is a violation according to the Election Code Section 6.16 and Section 6.17:

“In regards to social networking websites: messages, wall posts, etc. may only be sent to those who have specifically “opted-in” to hear about your candidacy.”

“‘Opting-in’ is defined within a social networking website as any type of communication that allows a potential voter to choose whether or not they would like to receive information concerning a candidacy or the election (i.e. a group invitation, friend request, etc.).”

Current SGA Position: Jill Berger went into great detail about her current role in SGA during her three minute introduction without any of the candidates knowing that this was allowed or acceptable. As already mentioned, Jill also used her current role in an email sent out to the

University Fountains apartment complex, making two violations of this rule. This is against the rules according to Section 6.12:

“Candidates are not allowed to use any current position within the Student Government Association to campaign for any election.”

Incentives for voting: There are many “I Voted” Raiders United Stickers being circulated for individuals to wear. These images have been posted on social media and offered to students who had not voted, enticing them to vote. This is against the rules according to Section 7.18:

Under no circumstances shall any penalty, reward, or incentive be applied or offered in exchange for voting in general, or for a specific candidate(s).

The Stovall, Weeks, Craig, & Yates campaign team desires to run an honest, rule-abiding campaign and we expect the same from our competition. If you have any questions please contact Caroline Weir at 318-243-2312 or caroline.weir@ttu.edu.

Sincerely,

Stovall, Weeks, Craig, & Yates

University Fountains Email

From: University Fountains Lubbock Leasing Manager

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Date: February 27, 2013, 9:49:43 AM CST

Subject: Internal Vice Pres elections today!! Please vote!

University Fountains Residents,

One of our residents, Jill Berger, is running for Internal Vice President in the Student Government Elections today. We think it is very important that everyone vote in this election and support Jill Berger and her team: Luke Cotton for President and, Logan Dickenson for External Vice President.

The link to vote is www.ttu.edu/vote

There are two important polls on the ballot. The first one regards making Texas Tech Campus a smoke free campus, and the second regards being able to carry concealed weapons on campus. If you want to have a say in these two important issues please go to the link above and VOTE!

If you are interested in Jill's platform visit Raiders United facebook page at facebook.com/raidersunited13

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Thank you,

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Goin' Band from Raiderland Email

> From: CharmsEmailSender@charmsmusic.com [CharmsEmailSender@charmsmusic.com] on behalf of Duane Hill [duane.hill@ttu.edu]
> Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 5:36 PM
> To: NAME DELETED
> Subject: Support our GB Colleagues...
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> Hello Goin' Band!
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> Hope everyone is doing well! My name is Michael Burwell. I'll get right to the point...
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> As many of you may or may not know, Student Government Elections began today and run non-stop until tomorrow night. I would strongly encourage you all to make your opinions heard and get online to vote.
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> I myself am running for a Senator position representing the College of Arts and Sciences. If your major happens to fall within this college I would really appreciate your vote! Fellow Goin' Band member Dustin Tharp is also running for a Senator position representing the College of Visual and Performing Arts, so if your major falls within that college please support him as well. It's not often that Goin' Band has representation in a largely Greek Student Government, so we could really use your help!
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> In addition the both of us are running under the Raiders United team lead by the executive candidates Luke Cotton, Logan Dickenson, and Jill Berger. It is our belief that they have the best interest of the students at heart and are the team most qualified to lead our Student Government.
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> In summary:
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> Vote Michael Burwell for Arts & Sciences Senator
> Vote Dustin Tharp for Visual and Performing Arts Senator
> Vote Luke Cotton for President, Logan Dickenson for External Vice President & Jill Berger for Internal Vice President
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> Here is the Raiders United page if you would like to know a bit more about the candidates:
> <https://www.facebook.com/RaidersUnited13>
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> You can vote here: www.ttu.edu/vote
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> Strive for Honor!
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Raiders United “I Voted” Stickers

