



GM Week 2019 Decision 1.1

Noting all information and dialogue provided during the GM Week 2019 Decision 1 Appeal Hearing on February 26th,

Whereas the precedent pertaining to Web Technologies Group officers running for an elected position and the subsequent conflict of interest that arises is inaction,

Whereas this precedent directly opposes the current goals and objectives of the Student Government Elections Process,

Noting that coding changes to alleviate this conflict of interest would take an unspecified amount of time,

Whereas the Elections Commission believes that any action taken to remedy a conflict of interest should be preventative and not reactive,

Whereas removing officer status from Joseph Lyon on the Web Technologies Group Club Management System webpage would not affect his ability to serve as chairperson,

Whereas the Web Technologies Group is not a Union recognized club, but is a subsidiary group of the Student Senate,

Noting that removing Joseph Lyon as an officer from the Web Technologies Group Club Management System webpage would not violate the Rensselaer Union Guidelines and Procedures,

Whereas Joseph Lyon is a candidate for the races of 2020 Senator and Grand Marshal,

Whereas Joseph Lyon is currently serving as the Web Technologies Group Chairperson,

Recognizing that there is a clear conflict of interest in this case,

The Elections Commission hereby resolves:

1. To require that officer status is removed from Joseph Lyon on the Web Technologies Group Club Management System webpage by February 27th, 11:59 AM,
2. To reaffirm that Joseph Lyon is not required to step down as chairperson of the Web Technologies Group,
3. To clarify that Joseph Lyon will still be listed as chairperson of the Web Technologies Group on the Student Senate Club Management System webpage.

In favor: Andrew DiBiasio, Keenan Adams, Cameron Riley, Samantha Meyerson, Joe Venusto, Lucas Davis

Against: None

Abstaining: None

Passes 6-0-0