



Monash Student Association (Clayton) Incorporated

2023 ANNUAL ELECTIONS

Monday 9 October – Thursday 12 October 2023

2023 MSA Election Appeals

Appeal from Jay Davis on 9 October:

"In accordance with election regulation 46.1. I am appealing your ruling restricting promotional material to University noticeboards, notice poles and poster kiosks."

Election Tribunal Decision:

"I rule as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to r 45.5, I decline to hold a hearing, as I am on the view that is unnecessary that a hearing be held.*
- 2. I dismiss Jay Davis' appeal against the 'Ruling regarding posterings' issued at 12.57am today."*

Appeal from Oli Shemmell and Alannah Hunt (Notice on 13 October):

"Please take this as written notice of Oli Shemmell and Alannah Hunt to contest the election result as per reg 48.1.

We contend that there has been a defect in the conduct of the election which has materially affected the result in the conduct of Social Justice in encouraging students who were not queer or questioning that they should vote in the queer election, hence undermining the autonomy of the department.

We also contend that the secrecy of the ballot was continuously undermined such that ballot was materially affected."

Election Tribunal Decision:

"Having considered the appellant's submissions (and the further material provided by the Returning Officer), together with the Returning Officer report, I am not satisfied that there is a prima face case that there has been a defect in the conduct of the election which has materially affected the result. Pursuant to reg 48.4, I thus decline to hear the appeal against the result of the election."