



Republic of the Philippines  
Polytechnic University of the Philippines  
Student Council Constitutional Commissions  
**Commission on Elections**

**Decision**

Decided on: September 26, 2021

**Petition:** MOTION FOR USING UNETHICAL QUESTION DURING THE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND DEVELOPMENT (CSSD) MITING DE AVANCE

**Petitioners:** Keneth C. Pelegrino, College of Social Sciences and Development Vice Presidential Candidate (IND)

**Respondents:** Dan Louis Janer, College of Social Sciences and Development Presidential Candidate (SAMASA-PUP)

On the 22nd of September 2021, the event called Miting de Avance was publicly launched with Commission on Elections - PUP for the College of Social Sciences and Development candidates running in the Local Student Council held at its Official Facebook Page, and the program took 3 hours, 17 minutes and 53 seconds on its record.

During the Phase 4 part of Miting de Avance called Iskwestiyons (Open Forum) part, on the counter-question of Mx. Janer intentionally asked the independent candidate, Mx. Pelegrino "Bakit hindi ka dapat iboto? (Why shouldn't we vote you?)" which obviously considered an unethical form of a question which creates the conflict of interest to the Independent candidate.

Thus, the PUP Independent Action Network's Campaign Manager, Thea Trambulo, formally raised the question given by the said candidate. She also defined this as a form of misleading to the audiences of the program.

**Decision:** The motion is denied. The petitioner lacks merit to prove his case.

The commissioner from CCIS issued this opinion, joined unanimously.

The commissioners from CE and CS did not participate in the deliberation of the decision.

**Opinion of the Commission**

The petitioner simply did not explain how the question by Mx. Janer violated the rules and regulations of the Miting de Avance.

The petitioner did not provide any causes of action in his motion.

**SO, ORDERED**

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*Chairperson*  
College of Education Commissioner

**(SGD) JANEL MARIEKE B. BAÑARIA**  
*Vice Chairperson*  
College of Social Science and Development  
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College of Architecture, Design and Built  
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