

# **SHERLOCK SECURITY REVIEW FOR**



**SHERLOCK** 

**Prepared for:** 3D FrankenPunks

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## Introduction

The Franken DAO is a fully on chain governance system for FrankenPunks holders, which overcomes the "1 token, 1 vote" problem by rewarding long term stakers and active participants in the DAO.

#### Scope

The following contracts are in scope:

- src/Governance.sol (337 nSLOC)
- src/Staking.sol (333 nSLOC)
- src/Executor.sol (44 nSLOC)
- src/proxy/GovernanceProxy.sol (27 nSLOC)
- src/utils/Admin.sol (56 nSLOC)
- src/utils/Refundable.sol (22 nSLOC)

# **Findings**

Each issue has an assigned severity:

- Medium issues are security vulnerabilities that may not be directly exploitable or may require certain conditions in order to be exploited. All major issues should be addressed.
- High issues are directly exploitable security vulnerabilities that need to be fixed.

#### **Issues found**

Medium	High
10	4

# Issues not fixed or acknowledged

Medium	High
0	0

# Security experts who found valid issues



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# Issue H-1: The total community voting power is updated incorrectly when a user delegates.

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/91

# Found by

curiousapple, hansfriese, Trumpero

## **Summary**

When a user delegates their voting power from staked tokens, the total community voting power should be updated. But the update logic is not correct, the the total community voting power could be wrong values.

## **Vulnerability Detail**

When the total community voting power is increased in the first if statement, \_deleg ator's token voting power might be positive already and community voting power might be added to total community voting power before.

Also, currentDelegate's token voting power might be still positive after delegation so we shouldn't remove the community voting power this time.

# **Impact**

The total community voting power can be incorrect.



# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol# L293-L313

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Add more conditions to check if the msg.sender delegated or not.

```
if (_delegator == _delegatee) {
    if(tokenVotingPower[_delegatee] == amount) {
        _updateTotalCommunityVotingPower(_delegator, true);
    }
    if(tokenVotingPower[currentDelegate] == 0) {
        _updateTotalCommunityVotingPower(currentDelegate, false);
    }
} else if (currentDelegate == _delegator) {
    if(tokenVotingPower[_delegatee] == amount) {
        _updateTotalCommunityVotingPower(_delegatee, true);
    }
    if(tokenVotingPower[_delegator] == 0) {
        _updateTotalCommunityVotingPower(_delegator, false);
    }
}
```

## **Discussion**

#### zobront

Fixed: https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/15

Note for JTP: Please double check this one, as I'm 99% confident but would love a second set of eyes on it.

#### jack-the-pug



# Issue H-2: Staking.unstake() doesn't decrease the original voting power that was used in Staking.stake().

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/70

# Found by

hansfriese, 0x52, Haruxe

## **Summary**

Staking.unstake() doesn't decrease the original voting power that was used in Staking.stake().

## **Vulnerability Detail**

When users stake/unstake the underlying NFTs, it calculates the token voting power using <u>getTokenVotingPower()</u> and increases/decreases their voting power accordingly.

But getTokenVotingPower() uses some parameters like monsterMultiplier and base Votes and the output would be changed for the same tokenId after the admin changed these settings.

Currently, \_stake() and \_unstake() calculates the token voting power independently and the below scenario would be possible.

- At the first time, baseVotes=20, monsterMultiplier=50.
- A user staked a FrankenMonsters and his voting power = 10 here.
- After that, the admin changed monsterMultiplier=60.
- When a user tries to unstake the NFT, the token voting power will be 20\*60/10 0=12 here.



- So it will revert with uint underflow here.
- After all, he can't unstake the NFT.

## **Impact**

votesFromOwnedTokens might be updated wrongly or users can't unstake for the worst case because it doesn't decrease the same token voting power while unstaking.

## **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol# L427-L440

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

I think we should add a mapping like tokenVotingPower to save an original token voting power when users stake the token and decrease the same amount when they unstake.

#### **Discussion**

#### zobront

Fixed: https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/17

#### jack-the-pug



# Issue H-3: Unbounded \_unlockTime allows the attacker to get a huge stakedTimeBonus and dominate the voting

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/53

## Found by

WATCHPUG, koxuan, neumo, hansfriese, curiousapple, bin2chen, Trumpero, John

## **Summary**

stakingSettings.maxStakeBonusTime is not enforced, allowing the attacker to gain a huge stakedTimeBonus by using a huge value for \_unlockTime.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

There is no max \_unlockTime check in \_stakeToken() to enforce the stakingSetting s.maxStakeBonusTime.

As a result, an attacker can set a huge value for \_unlockTime and get an enormous s takedTimeBonus.

## **Impact**

The attacker can get a huge amount of votes and dominate the voting.

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol#L389-L394

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol#L356-L384

#### **Tool used**

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Change to:

```
function _stakeToken(uint _tokenId, uint _unlockTime) internal returns (uint) {
  if (_unlockTime > 0) {
    unlockTime[_tokenId] = _unlockTime;
    uint time = _unlockTime - block.timestamp;
```



```
uint maxtime = stakingSettings.maxStakeBonusTime;
uint maxBonus = stakingSettings.maxStakeBonusAmount;
if (time < stakingSettings.maxStakeBonusTime){
    uint fullStakedTimeBonus = (time * maxBonus) / maxtime;
}else{
    uint fullStakedTimeBonus = maxBonus;
}
    stakedTimeBonus[_tokenId] = _tokenId < 10000 ? fullStakedTimeBonus :
    fullStakedTimeBonus / 2;
}</pre>
```

### **Discussion**

#### zobront

Fixed: https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/13

### jack-the-pug



# Issue H-4: Staking#\_unstake removes votes from wrong person if msg.sender != owner

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/30

## Found by

cccz, 0x52

## **Summary**

Staking#\_unstake allows any msg.sender to unstake tokens for any owner that has approved them. The issue is that even when msg.sender != owner the votes are removed from msg.sender instead of owner. The result is that the owner keeps their votes and msg.sender loses theirs. This could be abused to hijack or damage voting.

## **Vulnerability Detail**

```
address owner = ownerOf(_tokenId);
if (msg.sender != owner && !isApprovedForAll[owner][msg.sender] && msg.sender !=

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```

Staking#\_unstake allows any msg.sender to unstake tokens for any owner that has approved them.

```
uint lostVotingPower;
for (uint i = 0; i < numTokens; i++) {
    lostVotingPower += _unstakeToken(_tokenIds[i], _to);
}

votesFromOwnedTokens[msg.sender] -= lostVotingPower;
// Since the delegate currently has the voting power, it must be removed from
    their balance
// If the user doesn't delegate, delegates(msg.sender) will return self
tokenVotingPower[getDelegate(msg.sender)] -= lostVotingPower;
totalTokenVotingPower -= lostVotingPower;</pre>
```

After looping through \_unstakeToken all accumulated votes are removed from msg.sender. The problem with this is that msg.sender is allowed to unstake tokens for users other than themselves and in these cases they will lose votes rather than the user who owns the token.

Example: User A and User B both stake tokens and have 10 votes each. User A approves User B to unstake their tokens. User B calls unstake for User A. User B is



msg.sender and User A is owner. The votes should be removed from owner but instead are removed from msg.sender. The result is that after unstaking User B has a vote balance of 0 while still having their locked token and User B has a vote balance of 10 and their token back. Now User B is unable to unstake their token because their votes will underflow on unstake, permanently trapping their NFT.

#### **Impact**

Votes are removed incorrectly if msg.sender != owner. By extension this would forever trap msg.sender tokens in the contract.

## **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol#L427-L458

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Remove the ability for users to unstake for other users

#### **Discussion**

#### zobront

Fixed: https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/14

jack-the-pug



# Issue M-1: [Tomo-M3] Use safeMint instead of mint for ERC721

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/65

# Found by

Tomo

## **Summary**

Use safeMint instead of mint for ERC721

# **Vulnerability Detail**

The msg.sender will be minted as a proof of staking NFT when \_stakeToken() is called.

However, if msg.sender is a contract address that does not support ERC721, the NFT can be frozen in the contract.

As per the documentation of EIP-721:

A wallet/broker/auction application MUST implement the wallet interface if it will accept safe transfers.

Ref: https://eips.ethereum.org/EIPS/eip-721

As per the documentation of ERC721.sol by Openzeppelin

Ref: https://github.com/OpenZeppelin/openzeppelin-contracts/blob/master/contracts/token/ERC721/ERC721.sol#L274-L285

```
/**
 * @dev Mints `tokenId` and transfers it to `to`.
 *
 * WARNING: Usage of this method is discouraged, use {_safeMint} whenever
    possible
 *
 * Requirements:
 *
 * - `tokenId` must not exist.
 * - `to` cannot be the zero address.
 *
 * Emits a {Transfer} event.
 */
function _mint(address to, uint256 tokenId) internal virtual {
```



## **Impact**

Users possibly lose their NFTs

## **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol# L411

\_mint(msg.sender, \_tokenId);

#### **Tool used**

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Use safeMint instead of mint to check received address support for ERC721 implementation.

https://github.com/OpenZeppelin/openzeppelin-contracts/blob/master/contracts/token/ERC721/ERC721.sol#L262

#### **Discussion**

#### zobront

I might consider this a duplicate of #55 but not sure how this is usually judged. We will be changing this function based on other issues to not allow "approved" spenders, so msg.sender will be the owner of the FrankenPunk, which ensures they are able to hold NFTs.

#### zobront

Fixed: <a href="https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/14">https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/14</a>

I didn't need to add safeMint, as I made a change for another issue that removed the ability to non holder to unstake, which means they have the ability to hold NFTs.

#### jack-the-pug



Issue M-2: [Medium-1] Hardcoded monsterMultiplier in case of stakedTimeBonus disregards the updates done to m onsterMultiplier through setMonsterMultiplier()

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/56

## Found by

curiousapple, hansfriese

## **Summary**

[Medium-1] Hardcoded monsterMultiplier in case of stakedTimeBonus disregards the updates done to monsterMultiplier through setMonsterMultiplier()

## **Vulnerability Detail**

FrankenDAO allows users to stake two types of NFTs, Frankenpunks and Frankenmon sters, one of which is considered more valuable, ie: Frankenpunks,

This is achieved by reducing votes applicable for Frankenmonsters by monsterMultip lier.

```
function getTokenVotingPower(uint _tokenId) public override view returns (uint) {
    if (ownerOf(_tokenId) == address(0)) revert NonExistentToken();

    // If tokenId < 10000, it's a FrankenPunk, so 100/100 = a multiplier of 1
    uint multiplier = _tokenId < 10_000 ? PERCENT : monsterMultiplier;

    // evilBonus will return 0 for all FrankenMonsters, as they are not
    eligible for the evil bonus
        return ((baseVotes * multiplier) / PERCENT) + stakedTimeBonus[_tokenId] +
    evilBonus(_tokenId);
}</pre>
```

This monsterMultiplier is initially set as 50 and could be changed by governance proposal.

```
function setMonsterMultiplier(uint _monsterMultiplier) external onlyExecutor {
   emit MonsterMultiplierChanged(monsterMultiplier = _monsterMultiplier);
}
```

However, one piece of code inside the FrakenDAO staking contract doesn't consider this and has a monster multiplier hardcoded.



Hence any update done to monsterMultiplier would not reflect in the calculation of stakedTimeBonus, and thereby votes.

## **Impact: Medium**

Any update done to monsterMultiplier would not be reflected in stakedTimeBonus; it would always remain as /2 or 50%.

#### Likelihood: Medium

One needs to pass a governance proposal to change the monster multiplier, so this is definitely not a high likelihood; it's not low as well, as there is a clear provision in spec regarding this.

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol# L393

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Consider replacing the hardcoded value with monsterMultiplier

#### **Discussion**

#### zobront

Fixed: https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/12

#### jack-the-pug



Issue M-3: Using ERC721.transferFrom() instead of safeTr ansferFrom() may cause the user's NFT to be frozen in a contract that does not support ERC721

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/55

## Found by

WATCHPUG, Nyx, saian, rvierdiiev, Bnke0x0, Tomo

## **Summary**

There are certain smart contracts that do not support ERC721, using transferFrom() may result in the NFT being sent to such contracts.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

In unstake(), \_to is param from user's input.

However, if \_to is a contract address that does not support ERC721, the NFT can be frozen in that contract.

As per the documentation of EIP-721:

A wallet/broker/auction application MUST implement the wallet interface if it will accept safe transfers.

Ref: https://eips.ethereum.org/EIPS/eip-721

# **Impact**

The NFT may get stuck in the contract that does support ERC721.

## **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol#L463-L489

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Consider using safeTransferFrom() instead of transferFrom().



# **Discussion**

### zobront

Fixed: https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/10

jack-the-pug



# Issue M-4: queue() should increase proposalsPassed instead of proposalsCreated

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/54

# Found by

WATCHPUG, neumo, hansfriese, rvierdiiev, 0x52, cccz, Trumpero, John

## Summary

proposalsCreated will be increased in verifyProposal(), queue() should increase proposalsPassed.

## **Vulnerability Detail**

Based on the context, queue() should increase userCommunityScoreData[proposal.proposer].proposalsPassed and totalCommunityScoreData.proposalsPassed instead.

## **Impact**

Due to the presence of setProposalsCreatedMultiplier() and setProposalsPassedMultiplier(), the multiplier of both scores can be different, when that's the case, the proposer's voting power bonuses will be wrongly calculated because proposals Passed is not correctly increased in queue().

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Governance.sol#L467-L495

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol#L592-L601

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Change to:

```
function queue(uint256 _proposalId) external {
    // Succeeded means we're past the endTime, yes votes outweigh no votes,
    and quorum threshold is met
```



```
if(state(_proposalId) != ProposalState.Succeeded) revert InvalidStatus();
    Proposal storage proposal = proposals[_proposalId];
    // Set the ETA (time for execution) to the soonest time based on the
Executor's delay
    uint256 eta = block.timestamp + executor.DELAY();
    proposal.eta = eta.toUint32();
    // Queue separate transactions for each action in the proposal
    uint numTargets = proposal.targets.length;
    for (uint256 i = 0; i < numTargets; i++) {</pre>
        executor.queueTransaction(proposal.targets[i], proposal.values[i],
proposal.signatures[i], proposal.calldatas[i], eta);
    // If a proposal is queued, we are ready to award the community voting
power bonuses to the proposer
     ++userCommunityScoreData[proposal.proposer].proposalsCreated;
     ++userCommunityScoreData[proposal.proposer].proposalsPassed;
    // We don't need to check whether the proposer is accruing community
voting power because
    // they needed that voting power to propose, and once they have an Active
Proposal, their
    // tokens are locked from delegating and unstaking.
     ++totalCommunityScoreData.proposalsCreated;
     ++totalCommunityScoreData.proposalsPassed;
    // Remove the proposal from the Active Proposals array
    _removeFromActiveProposals(_proposalId);
    emit ProposalQueued(_proposalId, eta);
}
```

#### **Discussion**

#### ZakkMan

Fixed: <a href="https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/20">https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/20</a>

#### jack-the-pug



# Issue M-5: getCommunityVotingPower doesn't calculate voting Power correctly due to precision loss

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/48

## Found by

ElKu

## **Summary**

In Staking.sol, the getCommunityVotingPower function, doesn't calculate the votes correctly due to precision loss.

## **Vulnerability Detail**

In <u>getCommunityVotingPower</u> function, the <u>return</u> statement is where the mistake lies in:

```
return
   (votes * cpMultipliers.votes / PERCENT) +
   (proposalsCreated * cpMultipliers.proposalsCreated / PERCENT) +
   (proposalsPassed * cpMultipliers.proposalsPassed / PERCENT);
```

Here, after each multiplication by the Multipliers, we immediately divide it by PERC ENT. Every time we do a division, there is a certain amount of precision loss. And when its done thrice, the loss just accumulates. So instead, the division by PERCENT should be done after all 3 terms are added together.

Note that this loss is not there, if the Multipliers are a multiple of PERCENT. But these values can be changed through governance later. So its better to be careful assuming that they may not always be a multiple of PERCENT.

# **Impact**

The community voting power of the user is calculated wrongly.

## **Code Snippet**

The getCommunityVotingPower function:



```
uint64 proposalsPassed;
 // We allow this function to be called with the max uint value to get the total
→ community voting power
 if (_voter == address(type(uint160).max)) {
   (votes, proposalsCreated, proposalsPassed) =

    governance.totalCommunityScoreData();

 } else {
   // This is only the case if they are delegated or unstaked, both of which
→ should zero out the result
   if (tokenVotingPower[_voter] == 0) return 0;
   (votes, proposalsCreated, proposalsPassed) =
   governance.userCommunityScoreData(_voter);
 CommunityPowerMultipliers memory cpMultipliers = communityPowerMultipliers;
 return
   (votes * cpMultipliers.votes / PERCENT) +
   (proposalsCreated * cpMultipliers.proposalsCreated / PERCENT) +
   (proposalsPassed * cpMultipliers.proposalsPassed / PERCENT);
```

#### Tool used

VSCode, Manual Analysis

#### Recommendation

Do the division once after all terms are added together:

```
return
   ( (votes * cpMultipliers.votes) +
      (proposalsCreated * cpMultipliers.proposalsCreated) +
      (proposalsPassed * cpMultipliers.proposalsPassed) ) / PERCENT;
}
```

#### **Discussion**

#### zobront

This is a good suggestion but don't think it warrants a Medium. All these values are intended to be > 100. In the event that votes is lowered more, it will always be the case that proposalsCreated & proposalsPassed will be greater than 100, so combining them doesn't improve the accuracy.



#### El-Ku

Escalate for 5 USDC

If the multipliers are not a multiple of 100, say for example 125, 150 and 175 or something like that, then the precision will be still lost. But as I myself mentioned in the report, if all the multipliers are a multiplier of 100, then these equations dont cause an issue.

Otherwise we should do all the additions before doing the division. Even though the loss is still there it can be minimized by this step.

I think it deserves a medium as this calculation controls many Governance functions.

#### sherlock-admin

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I think it deserves a medium as this calculation controls many Governance functions.

You've created a valid escalation for 5 USDC!

To remove the escalation from consideration: Delete your comment. To change the amount you've staked on this escalation: Edit your comment (do not create a new comment).

You may delete or edit your escalation comment anytime before the 48-hour escalation window closes. After that, the escalation becomes final.

#### zobront

I think this makes sense and I was wrong to dispute it. It's a change we would like to make and agree there's the potential for some values to calculated incorrectly.

#### **Evert0x**

**Escalation accepted** 

#### sherlock-admin

**Escalation accepted** 

This issue's escalations have been accepted!



Contestants' payouts and scores will be updated according to the changes made on this issue.

#### zobront

Fixed: https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/24

# jack-the-pug



# Issue M-6: Staking#changeStakeTime and changeStakeAmount are problematic given current staking design

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/31

## Found by

0x52

## **Summary**

Staking#changeStakeTime and changeStakeAmount allow the locking bonus to be modified. Any change to this value will cause voting imbalance in the system. If changes result in a higher total bonus then existing stakers will be given a permanent advantage over new stakers. If the bonus is increased then existing stakers will be at a disadvantage because they will be locked and unable to realize the new staking bonus.

## **Vulnerability Detail**

When a token is staked their stakeTimeBonus is stored. This means that any changes to stakingSettings.maxStakeBonusAmount or stakingSettings.maxStakeBonusTime won't affect tokens that are already stored. Storing the value is essential to prevent changes to the values causing major damage to the voting, but it leads to other more subtle issue when it is changed that will put either existing or new stakers at a disadvantage.

Example: User A stake when maxStakeBonusAmount = 10 and stake long enough to get the entire bonus. Now maxStakeBonusAmount is changed to 20. User A is unable to unstake their token right away because it is locked. They are now at a disadvantage because other users can now stake and get a bonus of 20 while they are stuck with only a bonus of 10. Now maxStakeBonusAmount is changed to 5. User A now has an advantage because other users can now only stake for a bonus of 5. If User A never unstakes then they will forever have that advantage over new users.



## **Impact**

Voting power becomes skewed for users when Staking#changeStakeTime and changeStakeAmount are used

## **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol#L389-L415

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

I recommend implementing a poke function that can be called by any user on any user. This function should loop through all tokens (or the tokens specified) and recalculate their voting power based on current multipliers, allowing all users to be normalized to prevent any abuse.

#### **Discussion**

#### zobront

This is the intended behavior. Staking windows will be relatively short (~1 month) and bonuses will change only by governance vote. We accept that there may be short periods where a user is locked in a suboptimal spot, but they can unstake and restake when the period is over.

#### 0x00052

Escalate for 1 USDC

I think this should be considered valid. It won't just be for a small amount of time if the staking amount is lowered. In this case, all users who staked beforehand will have a permanent advantage over other users. Due to the permanent imbalance lowering it would cause in the voting power of users, I think that medium is appropriate.

#### sherlock-admin

Escalate for 1 USDC

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#### zobront

I can see the argument here. We don't want to change it and believe it's fine as is, but it may be a valid Medium.

#### **Evert0x**

**Escalation accepted** 

#### sherlock-admin

**Escalation accepted** 

This issue's escalations have been accepted!

Contestants' payouts and scores will be updated according to the changes made on this issue.



# Issue M-7: castVote can be called by anyone even those without votes

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/25

# Found by

hansfriese, 0x52, Trumpero

## **Summary**

Governance#castVote can be called by anyone, even users that don't have any votes. Since the voting refund is per address, an adversary could use a large number of addresses to vote with zero votes to drain the vault.

## **Vulnerability Detail**

```
function _castVote(address _voter, uint256 _proposalId, uint8 _support) internal

    returns (uint) {

   // Only Active proposals can be voted on
    if (state(_proposalId) != ProposalState.Active) revert InvalidStatus();
   // Only valid values for _support are 0 (against), 1 (for), and 2 (abstain)
    if (_support > 2) revert InvalidInput();
   Proposal storage proposal = proposals[_proposalId];
    // If the voter has already voted, revert
   Receipt storage receipt = proposal.receipts[_voter];
    if (receipt.hasVoted) revert AlreadyVoted();
    // Calculate the number of votes a user is able to cast
    // This takes into account delegation and community voting power
    uint24 votes = (staking.getVotes(_voter)).toUint24();
    // Update the proposal's total voting records based on the votes
    if (_support == 0) {
        proposal.againstVotes = proposal.againstVotes + votes;
    } else if (_support == 1) {
        proposal.forVotes = proposal.forVotes + votes;
    } else if (_support == 2) {
        proposal.abstainVotes = proposal.abstainVotes + votes;
    }
    // Update the user's receipt for this proposal
```



Nowhere in the flow of voting does the function revert if the user calling it doesn't actually have any votes. staking#getVotes won't revert under any circumstances. Governance#\_castVote only reverts if 1) the proposal isn't active 2) support > 2 or 3) if the user has already voted. The result is that any user can vote even if they don't have any votes, allowing users to maliciously burn vault funds by voting and claiming the vote refund.

## **Impact**

Vault can be drained maliciously by users with no votes

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Governance.sol#L607-L646

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Governance#\_castVote should revert if msg.sender doesn't have any votes:

```
// Calculate the number of votes a user is able to cast
// This takes into account delegation and community voting power
uint24 votes = (staking.getVotes(_voter)).toUint24();
+ if (votes == 0) revert NoVotes();
```



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```

### **Discussion**

#### zobront

This is great and will fix, but an adversary being able to burn a small pool put aside for gas refunds for no personal benefit seems like a Medium, not a High.

#### ZakkMan

Fixed: https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/21

#### jack-the-pug



# Issue M-8: Adversary can abuse delegating to lower quorum

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/24

# **Found by**

0x52

## **Summary**

When a user delegates to another user they surrender their community voting power. The quorum threshold for a vote is determined when it is created. Users can artificially lower quorum by delegating to other users then creating a proposal. After it's created they can self delegate and regain all their community voting power to reach quorum easier.

## **Vulnerability Detail**

```
// If a user is delegating back to themselves, they regain their community voting
    power, so adjust totals up
if (_delegator == _delegatee) {
    _updateTotalCommunityVotingPower(_delegator, true);

// If a user delegates away their votes, they forfeit their community voting
    power, so adjust totals down
} else if (currentDelegate == _delegator) {
    _updateTotalCommunityVotingPower(_delegator, false);
}
```

When a user delegates to user other than themselves, they forfeit their community votes and lowers the total number of votes. When they self delegate again they will recover all their community voting power.

```
newProposal.id = newProposalId.toUint96();
newProposal.proposer = msg.sender;
newProposal.targets = _targets;
newProposal.values = _values;
newProposal.signatures = _signatures;
newProposal.calldatas = _calldatas;

//@audit quorum votes locked at creation
newProposal.quorumVotes = quorumVotes().toUint24();
```



```
newProposal.startTime = (block.timestamp + votingDelay).toUint32();
newProposal.endTime = (block.timestamp + votingDelay + votingPeriod).toUint32();
```

When a proposal is created the quorum is locked at the time at which it's created. Users can combine these two quirks to abuse the voting.

#### Example:

Assume there is 1000 total votes and quorum is 20%. Assume 5 users each have 35 votes, 10 base votes and 25 community votes. In this scenario quorum is 200 votes which they can't achieve. Each user delegates to other users, reducing each of their votes by 25 and reducing the total number of votes of 875. Now they can create a proposal and quorum will now be 175 votes (875\*20%). They all self delegate and recover their community votes. Now they can reach quorum and pass their proposal.

## **Impact**

Users can collude to lower quorum and pass proposal easier

## **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol# L286-L316

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

One solution would be to add a vote cooldown to users after they delegate, long enough to make sure all active proposals have expired before they're able to vote. The other option would be to implement checkpoints.

#### **Discussion**

#### zobront

This is clever but the impact that a small number of users can have on quorum is relatively small, and we aren't concerned.

#### 0x00052

Escalate for 1 USDC



This is a valid issue. Even if they don't want to fix, it still has an impact on quorum which impacts proposals passing or failing. The impact is small at low quorum thresholds but at higher quorum thresholds the impact is larger.

As an example if the quorum threshold is 10% then using this technique to drop overall votes by 100 would lower quorum by 10 votes but if the threshold is 50% then it would lower quorum by 50 votes.

This decrease in quorum could allow borderline proposals to pass that normally couldn't meet quorum. Since the impact depends on the current quorum threshold (which is adjustable), medium seems appropriate to me.

#### sherlock-admin

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You've created a valid escalation for 1 USDC!

To remove the escalation from consideration: Delete your comment. To change the amount you've staked on this escalation: Edit your comment (do not create a new comment).

You may delete or edit your escalation comment anytime before the 48-hour escalation window closes. After that, the escalation becomes final.

#### zobront

I start by that this wouldn't have any substantial impact. First off, if a user delegates, they won't have any votes and therefore won't meet the threshold to create a proposal. So it would need to be a coordinated effort. And in the event that this happened, the impact would be relatively small. Seems unlikely and not impactful enough that a Medium feels like a stretch.

#### Evert0x

Escalation accepted. Assigning medium severity as the impact is not that significant + it requires a lot of effort to execute.



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#### sherlock-admin

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This issue's escalations have been accepted!

Contestants' payouts and scores will be updated according to the changes made on this issue.



# Issue M-9: Delegate can keep can keep delegatee trapped indefinitely

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/23

## Found by

rvierdiiev, curiousapple, 0x52

## **Summary**

Users are allowed to delegate their votes to other users. Since staking does not implement checkpoints, users are not allowed to delegate or unstake during an active proposal if their delegate has already voted. A malicious delegate can abuse this by creating proposals so that there is always an active proposal and their delegatees are always locked to them.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

The above modifier is applied when unstaking or delegating. This reverts if the delegate of msg.sender either has voted or currently has an open proposal. The result is that under those conditions, the delgatee cannot unstake or delegate. A malicious delegate can abuse these conditions to keep their delegatees forever delegated to them. They would keep opening proposals so that delegatees could never unstake or delegate. A single users can only have a one proposal opened at the same time so they would use a secondary account to alternate and always keep an active proposal.

# **Impact**

Delegatees can never unstake or delegate to anyone else



## **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol#L166-L174

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

There should be a function to emergency eject the token from staking. To prevent abuse a token that has been emergency ejected should be blacklisted from staking again for a certain cooldown period, such as the length of current voting period.

#### **Discussion**

#### zobront

In the case that a user did this, Admins would create a contract that all "stuck" users approve, and they would veto and unstake all tokens in one transaction. It would be inconvenient, but no long term harm would be caused.

I still think it's valid as a Medium, as this is obviously a situation we'd like to avoid being possible.

#### zobront

Fixed: <a href="https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/18">https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/18</a>

This fix addresses the risk laid out in the issue, that a delegate may repeatedly propose to keep votes locked.

We chose to not address the similar risk with voting because admins need to explicitly verify proposals before they can be voted on, so in the event this happens, admins would just hold off on verifying to give them a chance to undelegate.

We decided to go this direction because the cooldown period would add extra complexity and slightly increase gas fees on txs that we plan to refund a lot of.

#### jack-the-pug



# Issue M-10: Veto function should decrease proposalsPassed (and possibly proposalsCreated)

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao-judging/issues/9

# Found by

neumo, Trumpero

#### **Summary**

When a proposal that has passed is vetoed, the proposer still has the bonus of proposalsCreated and proposalsPassed related to the proposal. Both should be decremented because veto is intended to be used for malicious proposals.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

The function <code>getCommunityVotingPower</code> returns a bonus to users for voting, creating proposals and having them passed. <a href="https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol#L520-L541">https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Staking.sol#L520-L541</a> The <code>veto</code> function is supposed to be used against malicious proposals (see comment in line 522): <a href="https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Governance.sol#L520-L534">https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-11-frankendao/blob/main/src/Governance.sol#L520-L534</a> So the malicius proposer should not keep a bonus based in this proposal's creation and/or passing, and the function should decrease both the values of <code>proposalsCreated</code> and <code>proposalsPassed</code>.

# **Impact**

Malicious proposer keeps bonus after his proposal is vetoed.

# **Code Snippet**

N/A

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Put a check in the veto function that decreases the values of both proposalsCreate d and proposalsPassed.



```
if(proposal.verified){
    --userCommunityScoreData[proposal.proposer].proposalsCreated;
    --totalCommunityScoreData.proposalsCreated;
}
if (state(_proposalId) == ProposalState.Queued){
    --userCommunityScoreData[proposal.proposer].proposalsPassed;
    --totalCommunityScoreData.proposalsPassed;
}
```

## **Discussion**

#### ZakkMan

Fixed: https://github.com/Solidity-Guild/FrankenDAO/pull/22

# jack-the-pug

