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Today's Schedule

9:00: 7th Legislative Session

12:00: Joint Session



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Governor Arnett elected to the 45th General Assembly

After a strenuous day and a nail-biting election, Jamie Arnett came out on top with a win. As former Secretary of State, Arnett is now TISL's new governor for the next year.

In an exclusive post-win interview, Arnett revealed how it feels to have won this coveted position. "It feels great and shows we have done an incredible job. I



Governor Arnett and Lt. Gov. Chrisman

have to give a hat off to our elections commission. They did a wonderful job and kept everything rolling as smooth as possible even with some controversies," Arnett said.

Unfortunately with every election comes a second place winner. Michael T. Loy, Jr., came in as a close second as the spontaneous write-in candidate. Arnett had some encouraging words for Loy in her interview: "Come back to TISL next year. Run another campaign and get nominated, that would probably be key," and continued on to say, "I applaud him for what he tried to do an maybe in another circumstance it could have worked."

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45th EC Announced

Meet Your New Officers!

Governor

Jamie Arnett, UT Martin

Lt. Gov/Senate Speaker

Brandon Chrisman, UT Knoxville

Speaker Pro Tempore

Olivia O'Brien, University of the South

Speaker of the House

Logan Brasher, Union

Speaker Pro Tempore

Jolie-Grace Wareham, Rhodes

Secretary of State

Caleb Butler, Bethel

Treasurer

David Snapp, UT Knoxville

Attorney General

Hannah Strong

Drama Unfolds Among AMC3 Delegations

Heated opinions were sparked Saturday when one team of AMC3 participants willingly forfeited a semifinal round for both its petitioner and respondent teams for religious reasons, giving what essentially amounted to an automatic victory to both of their opponents, and lowering the field of contenders for the top two spots from 8 to 7.

According an anonymous source, the team that forfeited the round notified the Executive Council of their religious situation ahead of time, yet the Supreme Court was not notified of this decision. Allegedly because of this lack of notification, the court decided to allow the team who had been scheduled to compete to still present their arguments for scoring purposes.

Another team decried this action as unfair, and, as of the writing of this article, is considering filing a formal complaint.

In response to rumors of a complaint, one of the teams against whom the forfeits were made prepared multiple lawsuits regarding rulings and ethics issues, and is waiting for developments until it makes a decision to decide whether or not to take action.

More information will be provided on this story as it unfolds and becomes available.

-Chandler Schneider

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When asked about what she foresees in the future for TISL, Arnett assured that there will definitely be a budget for next year, for which work has already gone underway. Furthermore, TISL will be on the search for more schools by changing the definition of "college" and thus opening up opportunities for more Tennessee universities and colleges.

In the end, Arnett concluded with some touching words on what TISL really is: an experience. And with that, the 44th General Assembly is adjourned

Caroline Ponseti, Editor in Chief

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