

University of Saskatchewan Students' Union
Special General Meeting

February 8, 2012

6:00 p.m.

Arts 133

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was reached.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

SGMMotion01: Councilor Thompson/Councilor Froh

Carried

4. Proposed Bylaw Amendments

Move to omnibus 4.1 and 4.7.

SGMMotion02: President Hitchings/Member 36

Carried

4.1/4.7 Section 4 and Section 23

President Hitchings commented that the point of the SGM is to resolve conflict that arose from the AGM in November. The Ad Hoc Committee was struck at Student's Council who came to a resolution.

Move to add definitions of Constituency, Indigenous Student and International Student and to change student society to college.

SGMMotion03: President Hitchings/

4.2 Section 4

Member 23 noted this amendment is a definition change. There is not adequate information separating student society from college society.

Move to omnibus 4.2 (Section 4), 4.3 (Section 10), 4.5 (Section 23), and 4.12 (Section 36).

SGMMotion04: President Hitchings/Member 46

Carried

Move to approve the omnibus motion.

SGMMotion05: Member 23/Member 44

Defeated

4.4 Section 13

Move to add Saskatoon to consumer price index.

SGMMotion06: Member 9/Member 6

Carried

4.6 Section 23

Member 9 commented this amendment adds another MSC seat for Arts & Science. Member 28 noted that STM falls under Arts & Science, therefore they already have 4 MSCs representing their students.

Move to change college to group; add “between 1000 and 5000” to subsection (b); add subsection (c) as to read “three councilors where enrolment in the group is over 5000”.

SGMMotion07: Member 9/Member 1

Defeated

4.8 Section 26

Member 47 noted the Executive decided to strike out “in six credit units” because as long as members of student council were registered students, that was good enough. Some students in colleges like Education, for example, do internships and therefore aren’t registered in classes but are still students.

Member 23 commented that it doesn’t make sense to have a person not registered in classes on campus representing the students from their college. If a student isn’t on campus, how do they accurately represent the students from their college.

Member 47 noted a point of information, Education students are people who do internships and are registered students, but aren’t registered for six credit units.

Move to call to question.

SGMMotion08: Member 56/Member 1

Carried

Move to strike out “in six credit units” under subsection (a).

SGMMotion09: Member 47/Member 2

Carried

4.9 Section 26

Member 23 commented on adding an accountability clause. She added a friendly amendment to go with the new carried wording.

Move to add “Accountability – The Councilors shall be representative of, and accountable to, the college, school or institution he or she represents. The councilors shall also report to and solicit information from the college society or student society that represents his or her respective college or group”.

SGMMotion10: Member 23/Member 19

Defeated

18 in favour

24 against

4.10 Section 28

Move to strike out Vacancy.

SGMMotion11: Member 2/Member 22

Carried

4.11 Section 36

Move to add under section 36(1)(a) "and a non-voting member".

SGMMotion12: Member 47/Member 9

Carried

4.13 Section 42

Move to strike out "by-election means a by-election for one or more positions on the executive"; add in "free, fair and open" under election or by election.

SGMMotion13: Member 14/Member 6

Carried

4.14 Section 52

Move to add to Section 52(2) "A member *or their representative*".

SGMMotion14: Member 9/Member 1

Defeated

4.15 Section 57

Move to add to Section 57(2) "shall be listed on the ballot in random order according to the candidates' last names, with the option to 'abstain' listed first."; strikeout "alphabetical order".

SGMMotion15: Member 9/Member 6

Carried

4.16 Section 70

Move to strike out "together" and "\$3000, and if there are more than six registered campaigns, each campaign will be reimbursed pro rata" and change "group" to "campaign".

SGMMotion16: Member 2/Member 56

Carried

5. Questions and Comments for Executive (30 minutes)

Member 23 noted that at the AGM, the Board of College Presidents was struck from the Bylaw. It was asked if it would be put into policy and Executive said yes it would be. Member 23 asked if this had been done yet. Member 1 responded that it is something that has fallen through the cracks and will get done in the next few days.

6. Any Other Business

7. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

SGMMotion17: Member 6/Member 36

Carried