



## AGENDA

### Representative Council's Constitutive Meeting 1/2024–2025

**Date:** 23 November 2023 at 5 p.m.

If you can, please arrive at 4 p.m. when the current Representative Council convenes. The constitutive meeting will begin after that at 5 p.m. or later.

**Place:** Joensuu: AT100 (Agora)

Kuopio: SN200 (Snellmania)

In accordance with section 2, subsection 1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Representative Council, a Representative Council member who is unable to participate in a Representative Council meeting must invite a deputy member from the same electoral alliance to participate instead. Attendance of deputy members must be stated at the beginning of each meeting.

The oldest members of the Representative Council will preside over the Representative Council's constitutive meeting until the Student Union's Chairperson has been elected.

The oldest members of the Representative Council are:

Chairperson:  
Vidanagamage, Yoshitha B. (Keskeiset)

1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chairperson  
Miettinen, Taija (Itä-Suomen Vihreä Vasemmisto)

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chairperson  
Kalin, Susanne (Savilahden Sivistyneet)

Welcome!

Student Union's Executive Board



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### §1 Opening the meeting

The oldest members of the Representative Council will preside over the Representative Council's constitutive meeting until the Student Union's Chairperson has been elected. The oldest Representative Council member is identified and given the role of presiding over the meeting until the Representative Council's Chairperson has been elected.

### §2 Stating legitimacy and quorum

**Matter:** In accordance with section 11 of the Rules of the Student Union, the notice of Representative Council meeting must be sent or otherwise delivered in writing or electronically at least seven (7) days before the meeting to all members and the number of deputy members determined by the Representative Council in its constitutive meeting. The meeting must also be announced on the Student Union's official bulletin board.

Section 12 of the Rules of the Student Union states: *The Representative Council has a quorum when half of the Representative Council's members, including the Chairperson of the Representative Council or either of the Vice Chairpersons, are attending, and the notice of meeting has been delivered in accordance with section 11, subsection 2 of these Rules.*

The notice of meeting was published on 16 November 2023 on the Student Union's official bulletin board and sent to all Representative Council members via the mailing list.

**Motion:** The meeting is stated to have been legally convened and to have a quorum.

The Student Union's official bulletin board is the Student Union's website.

In the future, the notice of meeting will be sent to all members and deputy members of the Representative Council by email.

**Decision:**

### §3 Accepting the agenda as the rules of procedure

**Matter:** Section 15 of the Rules of the Student Union states: *The agendas of Representative Council meetings are prepared by the Chairperson of the Representative Council. The Chairperson may be assisted by the Secretary General in this task. The Representative*



*Council meeting discusses motions submitted by the Chairperson of the Representative Council, the Executive Board, and the committees operating under the Representative Council, as well as any matters added on the agenda pursuant to section 15, subsection 2.*

*The Representative Council may take up a matter which was not included in the notice of meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote but not, however, a matter which would require a qualified majority.*

**Motion:** The agenda is accepted as the rules of procedure of the meeting.

**Decision:**

#### **§4 Electing examiners of the minutes and tellers**

**Matter:** Section 19 of the Rules of the Student Union states: *Representative Council meetings are minuted. The minutes are examined and accepted by two (2) examiners of the minutes, who are elected by the meeting and who must be members of the Representative Council. The minutes are verified by the chairperson and secretary of the meeting.*

Section 20 of the Rules of the Student Union states: *In a meeting of the Representative Council, each Representative Council member entitled to vote has one vote, and the right to vote is personal. Votes cast in a Representative Council meeting are counted by two (2) tellers who are elected by the Representative Council from amongst its members.*

**Motion:** Two examiners of the minutes and four tellers are elected.

Examiners of the minutes:

Salokangas, Ville (DeeKu)

Kuosmanen, Aino (FaBio)

Tellers:

Kangaskolkka, Emilia (ISYYn Demariopiskelijat)

Khalid, Hamza (Keskeiset)

Hyvönen, Eetu (Kylterit)

Haverinen, Akseli (Opiskelevat kokoomuslaiset)



**Decision:**

**§5 Electing persons to monitor equality**

**Matter:** In its Action Plan for 2023, the Representative Council ruled that there must be persons who monitor equality present during the Representative Council's meetings.

**Motion:** The meeting elects persons to monitor equality.

**Decision:**

**§6 Notices**

**Matter:**

1. Events and important dates
  2. News from the offices
  3. Report from the Executive Board
- Section 31 of the Rules of the Student Union states that it is the duty of the Executive Board to give a report to the Representative Council on the Executive Board's activities between the Representative Council's meetings, and annually a report on the activities of the Student Union.

**Motion:** The informational items are noted down.

**Decision:**

**§7 Appointing the Preparatory Committee**

**Matter:** Section 24b of the Rules of the Student Union states: *The purpose of the Student Union's Preparatory Committee is to discuss and prepare matters referred to the Representative Council by the Executive Board. The members of the Preparatory Committee are the chairpersons of council groups, and their deputy members are the vice chairpersons of council groups. The chairperson of the Preparatory Committee is the Chairperson of the Representative Council, and its vice chairpersons are the Vice Chairpersons of the Representative Council. The presenting official of the Preparatory Committee is the Chairperson of the Executive Board, or, in their absence, the Vice Chairperson of the Executive Board. The Preparatory Committee elects a secretary from among its members.*



*Council groups elect the group chairpersons from among their members. Persons who act as ordinary members or deputy members of the Representative Council in accordance with section 25 of the Student Union's Election Regulations are considered members of the council groups. Each representative belongs to the group from whose electoral list they were elected to the Representative Council. Council group chairpersons are recorded in the minutes of the Representative Council's meetings.*

**Motion:** Names of the council group chairpersons are recorded in the minutes.

**Decision:**

## **§8 Electing the Chairperson of the Representative Council for 2024**

**Matter:** Section 18 of the Rules of the Student Union states that it is the duty of the Representative Council to elect the Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the Representative Council.

*Section 13 of the Rules of the Student Union states: the Representative Council elects the Chairperson and the first and second Vice-Chairpersons of the Representative Council from amongst its members in the constitutive meeting. The oldest ordinary member of the Representative Council will preside over the Representative Council until the Chairperson is elected. The Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons are elected for one calendar year. The Chairperson of the Representative Council is referred to as the Chairperson of the Student Union.*

Subsection 3 of section 13 of the Rules of the Student Union states that notwithstanding the provisions on relieving Representative Council members from their duties on the grounds of membership in the Executive Board, a member of the outgoing Executive Board may be elected as one of the Chairpersons of the Representative Council for the following year.

**Motion:** The Chairperson of the Representative Council is elected for 2024.

**Decision:**

## **§9 Electing the first Vice-Chairperson of the Representative Council for 2024**

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Subsection 3 of section 13 of the Rules of the Student Union states that notwithstanding the provisions on relieving Representative Council members from their duties on the grounds of membership in the Executive Board, a member of the outgoing Executive Board may be elected as one of the Chairpersons of the Representative Council for the following year.

**Motion:** The first Vice-Chairperson of the Representative Council is elected for 2024.

**Decision:**

#### **§10 Electing the second Vice-Chairperson of the Representative Council for 2024**

**Matter:** Section 18 of the Rules of the Student Union states that it is the duty of the Representative Council to elect the Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the Representative Council.

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Subsection 3 of section 13 of the Rules of the Student Union states that notwithstanding the provisions on relieving Representative Council members from their duties on the grounds of membership in the Executive Board, a member of the outgoing Executive Board may be elected as one of the Chairpersons of the Representative Council for the following year.

**Motion:** The second Vice-Chairperson of the Representative Council is elected for 2024.

**Decision:**



## §11 Electing the person responsible for forming the Executive Board

**Matter:** Section 18 of the Rules of the Student Union states that it is the duty of the Representative Council to elect the person who forms the Executive Board.

Section 27 of ISYY's Rules states: *The Representative Council elects the person responsible for forming the Executive Board in the constitutive meeting held before the beginning of its term of office in accordance with section 11, subsection 1, paragraph 1 of the Rules, as well as in the last meeting of its first operating year or in a meeting in which the Executive Board receives a motion of no confidence from the Representative Council in accordance with section 22 of the Rules.*

*A member of the Student Union who is eligible for membership in the Executive Board is also eligible for the role of the person responsible for forming the Executive Board. If there is only one candidate for the role of the person responsible for forming the Executive Board, that person will be considered elected to the role. If there is more than one candidate, the person responsible for forming the Executive Board will be elected by a closed ballot.*

*In case none of the candidates receives more than half of the votes cast in the first round of votes, a second ballot will be held between the two candidates who received the most votes. The person who gets the majority of the votes on the second ballot will be elected. In the event of a tie, the matter will be resolved by lot.*

**Motion:** The meeting elects the person in charge of forming the Executive Board.

**Decision:**

## §12 Proposal for the composition of the 2024 Executive Board by the person in charge of forming the board (potentially)

**Matter:** According to section 18, subsection 3 of the Rules of the Student Union, it is the Representative Council's duty to elect the Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the Executive Board and the rest of the Executive Board members based on a proposal from the person responsible for forming the Executive Board.

Section 26 of the Rules of the Student Union also states that the Executive Board of the Student Union has a Chairperson and two Vice Chairpersons, representing both campuses, and at least four (4) and up to eight (8) board members. The Executive Board is elected for one calendar year. A Representative Council member elected to the Executive Board will be ineligible for the Representative Council during their time in the Executive Board.



Section 28 of the Rules of the Student Union states: *Once the Representative Council has elected the person responsible for forming the Executive Board, this person must make a proposal on the chairpersons of the Executive Board and the number and names of the Executive Board members in the same meeting. If the Representative Council accepts this proposal, the persons nominated by the person in charge of forming the board will be elected as the Chairperson, Vice-Chairpersons, and members of the Executive Board. If the Representative Council does not accept the proposal of the person in charge of forming the board, another vote to elect the person in charge of forming the board will be organised in accordance with section 28. The same person may be elected again as the person in charge of forming the board. The procedure is continued until the Executive Board has been appointed. The Chairperson and the Vice-Chairpersons of the Executive Board will act as the chairpersons of the Campus Boards, which are appointed in the constitutive meeting of the Executive Board, each on one campus.*

**Motion:** The meeting elects the Chairperson, Vice-Chairpersons, and other members of the Executive Board for 2024. If the person in charge of forming the board does not have a motion to submit, the matter will be postponed until the next meeting.

**Decision:**

### §13 Electing the chairpersons of the Councils for Chairpersons for 2024

**Matter:** Section 40 of the Rules of the Student Union states: *All campuses on which the Student Union operates have a Council for Chairpersons. The members of a Council for Chairpersons are the chairpersons of all the student associations on that campus, and their deputy members are representatives appointed by the student associations. If no deputy member has been appointed, the vice chairperson of the student association will act as the deputy member. Members of the Student Union's Executive Board and the Chairpersons of the Representative Council have the right to attend and speak in the meetings of the Council for Chairpersons.*

*The Council for Chairpersons is chaired by a person appointed by the Representative Council based on a proposal from the Council for Chairpersons. The Council for Chairpersons must submit their proposal no later than in November of the previous calendar year. The Council for Chairpersons elects a vice chairperson from among its members.*

**Motion:** The Councils for Chairpersons submit their motions regarding the chairpersons of the Councils for Chairpersons in 2024. The motions must be presented at the Representative Council meeting at the latest.





**Decision:**

**§14 Other business**

**Matter:**

**Motion:** Any other business is discussed.

**Decision:**

**§15 Closing the meeting**

The Chairperson closes the meeting.