



Student Union of the University of Eastern Finland
Representative Council Meeting 5/2022
Agenda
25 October 2022

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Date: 25 October 2022 at 5 p.m.

Place: Joensuu: AU100
Kuopio: SN200

In accordance with subsection 1 of section 2 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 is stated at the beginning of each meeting.

Welcome!

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§1 Opening the meeting

The meeting is opened by Emilia Honkanen, the Chairperson of the Representative Council.

§2 Stating legitimacy and quorum

Matter: In accordance with section 11 of the Rules of the Student Union, the notice of Representative Council meeting shall 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 boards.



In accordance with section 12 of the Rules of the Student Union, *'The Representative Council shall have a quorum when half of the Representative Council 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 subsection 2 of section 11 of these Rules.'*

The notice of meeting was published on 18 October 2022 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.

Decision:

§3 **Changes to the composition of the Representative Council**

Matter: The composition of the Representative Council has not changed since the last meeting.

Motion: The item is noted down for information.

Decision:

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

Matter: In accordance with section 19 of the Rules of the Student Union, *'Minutes shall be kept at Representative Council meetings. The minutes shall be examined and accepted by two (2) examiners of the minutes who are elected by the meeting and who must be Representative Council members. The minutes shall be verified by the Chairperson and the Secretary of the Meeting.'*

In accordance with section 20 of the Rules of the Student Union, *'In a Representative Council meeting, every Representative Council member entitled to vote shall have one vote, and the right to vote is personal. Votes cast in a Representative Council meeting shall be counted by two (2) tellers who are elected amongst and by the Representative Council.'*

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

Persons nominated as examiners of the minutes:
Julia Lautala (ISYyn Demariopiskelijat) and Maija Kuivalainen (Itä-Suomen Vihreä Vasemmisto)



Persons nominated as tellers:

Miro Helminen (Kylterit), Sauli Löllö (Opiskelevat kokoomuslaiset), Riku Kukkonen (Savilahden sivistyneet) and Tuomas Karikorpi (Vihreä lista)

Decision:

§5 Accepting the agenda as the rules of procedure

Matter: In accordance with section 15 of the Rules of the Student Union, *'The Chairperson of the Representative Council shall prepare the agenda of the Representative Council meeting and may use assistance of the Secretary General in this task. The motions of the Chairperson of the Representative Council, the Executive Board and Committees operating under the Representative Council are being considered in the Representative Council meeting, in addition to matters which have been demanded on the agenda on the grounds of subsection 2 of section 15.'*

'The Representative Council may take a matter that was not included in the notice of the meeting into consideration by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote. However, this is not possible if the decision requires a qualified majority in order to be legitimate.'

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

Decision:

§6 Electing observers to monitor equality

Matter: In the Action Plan for 2021, the Representative Council ruled that there must be persons who monitor equality present during the Representative Council's meetings.

Motion: The persons nominated as equality observers are Wilma Poutanen (Vihreä lista) and Roosa Ikimeri (Itä-Suomen vihreä vasemmisto).

Decision:



§7 Notices

Matter:

1. Events and important dates
2. News from the offices
3. News from committees
4. Report from the Executive Board
5. The process of drafting the Action Plan 2023 is currently in the comment stage until 24 October 2022.

In accordance with section 31 of the Rules of the Student Union, it is the duty of the Executive Board *'to give a report regarding its activities during the time between meetings of the Representative Council, and annually a report regarding the activities of the Student Union, to the Representative Council'*.

Motion: The informational items are noted down for information.

Decision:

§8 Approving ISYY's Equality Plan, appendices 8.1 and 8.2

Matter: ISYY's Executive Board and staff members have been drafting ISYY's Equality Plan (see appendix 8.1). The plan is accompanied by the Safer Spaces Policy (see appendix 8.2). (The Council has had the chance to comment on the draft documents.)

Motion: The Representative Council approves the Equality Plan (appendix 8.1) and the accompanying Safer Spaces Policy (appendix 8.2)

Decision:

§9 An interim report on ISYY's strategy, appendix 9

Matter: The Representative Council approved ISYY's strategy for 2021–2024 in council meeting 5/2020. ISYY's Executive Board and Secretary General have reviewed the implementation of the strategy for the current year.

Motion: The interim report and related discussion are noted down for information.

Decision:



§10 Motion to amend Section 45 of the Rules of the Student Union

First discussion.

Matter: The Executive Board has requested that the Rules Committee submit a motion to the Representative Council regarding section 45 'Filling a position' of the Rules of the Student Union.

The Rules Committee discussed the matter in committee meeting 2/2022 and proposes the below amendments to the Rules of the Student Union.

According to section 18(1)(19) of the Rules of the Student Union, it is the Representative Council's duty *'to decide in two consecutive meetings, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority, about changing these Rules, which will be confirmed by the Rector of the University of Eastern Finland'*.

Motion: Section 45 of ISYY's Rules will be amended as follows:

Additions are marked in **blue**, deleted passages in **red**. [An unofficial English translation of the rules and suggested amendments is given after the Finnish text.]

45 § Toimen täyttäminen:

Ylioppilaskunnan avoinna olevat toimet ja sijaisuudet täyttää hallitus avoimella hakumenettelyllä, mikäli työsuhde kestää enemmän kuin **kolme (3) kaksitoista (12)** kuukautta. Pääsihteeri voi täyttää enintään **kolmeksi (3) kahdeksitoista (12)** kuukaudeksi toimen ja sijaisuuden ilman hakumenettelyä, mikäli kiireellisyys tai erityinen syy niin vaatii.

Vakituisen työntekijän vapaasta johtuvaa sijaisuutta hoitavan henkilön työsuhdetta voidaan jatkaa työsuhteen katkeamatta hallituksen päätöksellä ilman avointa hakumenettelyä enintään kahdellatoista (12) kuukaudella kerrallaan.

Pääsihteerin ja päätoimittajan haku aika on vähintään kolmekymmentä (30) vuorokautta. Muihin toimiin haku aika on vähintään neljätoista (14) vuorokautta. Haku aikaa voidaan jatkaa tai toimi julistaa uudelleen haettavaksi hallituksen päätöksellä, jos hallitus katsoo siihen olevan tarvetta.

Toimi julistetaan haettavaksi ainakin ylioppilaskunnan virallisella ilmoitustaululla. **Pääsihteerin toimi tulee lisäksi julistaa avoimeksi kampuskaupunkien**



maakuntalehdissä. Toimet tulee julkistaa myös muilla edustajiston päättämällä tavoilla.

Section 45 Filling a position:

Open positions and temporary positions of the Student Union shall be filled by the Executive Board using an open call for applications procedure in cases where the employment relationship lasts more than **three (3) twelve (12)** months. The Secretary General may fill a position or temporary position lasting up to **three (3) twelve (12)** months without an application process if urgency or a specific reason so requires.

The employment contract of a temporary employee filling in for a permanent employee who is on a leave may be extended without interrupting the employment relationship and without an open call procedure by up to twelve (12) months at a time by a decision of the Executive Board.

The application period for the positions of the Secretary General and the Editor-in-Chief shall be at least thirty (30) days. For other positions, the application period shall be at least fourteen (14) days. The application period may be extended and a position may be declared re-opened for applications by a decision of the Executive Board, if the Executive Board considers it necessary.

Positions shall be declared open at least on the official bulletin board of the Student Union. **The position of the Secretary General must also be declared open in the regional newspapers of the campus cities.** Vacancies must also be advertised in other means determined by the Representative Council.

Decision:

§11 Motion to amend the Student Union's regulations on emblems and awards

Only discussion.

Matter: The Executive Board has requested the Rules Committee to submit a motion to the Representative Council for amending the Student Union's regulations on emblems



and awards. The Rules Committee discussed the matter in committee meeting 2/2022 and has written the below motion to amend the regulations.

According to section 18(1)(25), it is the Representative Council's duty 'to accept, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority, the Rules of Procedure, Financial Regulations, Symbol Regulations and other rules of the Student Union apart from the rules of clubs and working groups established by the Executive Board'.

Motion: ISYY's regulations on emblems and awards will be amended as follows:

Additions are marked in blue, deleted passages in red. [An unofficial English translation of the regulations and suggested amendments is given after the Finnish text.]

4 § Ylioppilaskunnan huomionsoitustoimikunta

Huomionsoitustoimikunta tekee hallitukselle esityksen ylioppilaskunnan kunnia-, ansio- ja kuntamerkeistä. Huomionsoitustoimikuntaan kuuluvat istuvan hallituksen puheenjohtaja sekä varapuheenjohtaja ja edustajiston puheenjohtaja, sekä neljän viimeisen vuoden hallitusten puheenjohtajat sekä varapuheenjohtajat ja edustajistojen puheenjohtajat. Huomionsoitustoimikunnan kutsuu koolle istuvan hallituksen puheenjohtaja. Kokous täytyy pitää viimeistään kuukausi ennen vuosijuhlia ja sen koollekutsumisaika on yksi viikko.

5b § Ylioppilaskunnan kuntamerkki

Kuntamerkki voidaan myöntää henkilölle, joka on toiminnallaan edistänyt ylioppilaskunnan toimintaa, hyvää henkeä ja kulttuuria.

Kuntamerkin myöntämisestä päättää ylioppilaskunnan hallitus, huomionsoitustoimikunnan, kampusvaliokunnan tai järjestöjaoston puheenjohtajaneuvoston tai kerhon johtokunnan esityksestä.

Huomionsoitustoimikunta, kampusvaliokunta tai järjestöjaosto puheenjohtajaneuvosto tai kerhon johtokunta ei voi esittää kuntamerkkiä omalle jäsenelleen. Kenellä tahansa ylioppilaskunnan jäsenellä tai alumnilla on oikeus esittää kuntamerkkiä, kuitenkin siten, että yhdellä henkilöllä on oikeus esittää yhtä huomionsoitusta vuodessa.

Kuntamerkki myönnetään ylioppilaskunnan kuntanauhan kanssa. Kuntamerkkiä kannetaan kuntanauhan kanssa juhlapuvun vasemmalla puolella, mahdollisen taskun päällä.



Section 4 The Student Union's Honours Committee

The Honours Committee submits a proposal to the Executive Board to nominate persons for the Student Union's Medal of Honour, Medal of Distinction and the Badge of the Student Union. The Honours Committee includes the current Chair and Vice Chair of the Executive Board and the current Chair of the Representative Council, as well as the former chairpersons and vice chairs of the Executive Board and former chairpersons of the Representative Council from the past four years. Honours Committee meetings are convened by the Chair of the present Executive Board. The meeting must be organised at least one month before the annual celebration, and the timeframe for convening the meeting is one week.

Section 5b Badge of the Student Union

The Badge of the Student Union can be awarded to a person who has promoted the Student Union's work, spirit and culture through their actions.

Decisions to award the Badge of the Student Union are made by the Student Union's Executive Board based on a proposal from the Honours Committee, campus committee or section for student organisations Council for Association Chairpersons or a club board. The Honours Committee, campus committee or section for student organisations Council for Association Chairpersons and club boards may not nominate their own members for the Badge of the Student Union. All members and alumni of the Student Union have the right to nominate a person for the Badge of the Student Union, but one person may only submit one nomination for an honour or award per year.

The Badge of the Student Union is awarded together with the Student Union sash. The Badge of the Student Union is to be worn with the sash on the left side of a formal dress or suit, over the pocket.

Decision:

§12 Other business

Matter: According to section 16 of the Rules of the Student Union, 'Representative Council members may make requested motions for action in a Representative Council meeting. The Representative Council accepting a requested motion for action, the Executive Board shall take measures, in the limits of its jurisdiction, required by the requested



motion for action, within 30 days. The Executive Board shall inform, in reasonable time, the Representative Council about the measures made in consequence of the requested motion for action.'

Motion: Any other business is discussed.

Decision:

§13 Closing the meeting

Emilia Honkanen
Chair of the Representative Council

Antti Natunen
Secretary General