

Student Union of the University of Eastern Finland

Representative Council Meeting 4/2021

Agenda

9th of September 2021

AGENDA

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Date: 16th of September 2021 at 5pm

Place: Joensuu: AU100

Kuopio: SN201

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, shall invite a deputy member from the same electoral alliance where they have been elected into the Representative Council, to participate instead. Attendance of deputy members shall be stated at the beginning of each meeting.'

Welcome!

AGENDA

1. § Item 1 Opening the meeting

Chairperson of the Representative Council Ella Partanen opens the meeting.

2. § Item 2 Stating legality 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 delivered otherwise in writing or electronically at least seven (7) days before the meeting, for all ordinary members and for the number of deputy members, which the Representative Council has decided in its organisational meeting. In addition, on the official bulletin boards of the Student Union shall be informed about the meeting.'

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 the meeting was given on the 9th of September 2021, via the official bulletin board of the Student Union and it was sent to everyone via the mailing list.

Motion:

The meeting is stated legally convened and to have a quorum.

Decision:

3. § Item 3 Changes in the composition of the Representative Council

Matter: There are following changes in the composition of the Representative Council:

- Pinja Kääriäinen (FaBIo) has announced that they are non-eligible to be a deputy member of the Representative Council.
- Julius Gran (Kylterit) has announced their resignation from the Representative Council. Laura Räisänen (Kylterit) will replace Julius Gran as an ordinary member of the Representative Council.
- Kaisa Oinas-Panuma (Keskeiset) has announced their resignation from the Representative Council. Salla Natunen (Keskeiset) will replace Kaisa Oinas-Panuma as an ordinary member of the Representative Council.
- Laura Kupiainen (Puolueettomat) has announced their resignation from the Representative Council. Markus Helin (Puolueettomat) will replace Laura Kupiainen as an ordinary member of the Representative Council.
- Susanna Remes (Keskeiset) has announced their resignation as a deputy member of the Representative Council.

Motion:

Changes in the composition of the Representative Council are entered in the minutes for information.

Decision:

4. § Item 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 the 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. 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 of the 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.

The proposed examiners of the minutes: Kalle Kangasmäki (Opiskelijoiden etu - The Students' Interest) Jimi Virkkala (FaBio)

The proposed tellers: Valtteri Bovellan (Kylterit) Aino Hassinen (Savilahden Sivistyneet) Iiris Pääkkönen (Vihreä Lista) Lassi Oikkonen (Keskeiset)

Decision:

5. § Item 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. § Item 6 Electing parity observers

Matter:

In their action plan for the year 2021, the Representative Council have decided that designated parity observers shall be present during the Representative Council meetings.



Motion: It is proposed that Riku Kiviluoto and Salli Kosonen act as parity observers during

the meeting.

Decision:

7. § Item 7 Notices, APPENDICES 7.1 & 7.2

Matter:

- 1. Upcoming events and dates to take into consideration
- 2. News regarding the SILLAT project, Project Coordinator Riina Pääkkönen
- 3. News and updates of the ISYY offices
- 4. News of the Committees
- 5. Data Balance Sheet of ISYY for 2020, APPENDIX 7.1
- 6. Student Union membership Decision of the Executive Board, APPENDIX 7.2
- 7. News and updates of the Executive Board
 In accordance with section 31 of the Rules of the Student Union, duties of the
 Executive Board are: '11) 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: Entered in the minutes for information.

Decision:

8. § Item 8 Proposed amendment to the Rules of the Student Union, the establishing of a Preparatory Committee

APPENDIX 8

First reading

Matter:

At their meeting (6/2020), the Representative Council decided that the Rules Committee should prepare an amendment to the Rules of the Student Union in order to establish a Preparatory Committee. The new committee shall be responsible for preparing matters to be discussed by the Representative Council.

At their meeting (3/2021), the Rules Committee decided to propose the attached amendment to the Rules to the Representative Council.

The Executive Board of the Student Union discussed the proposal at their meeting (26/2021) and proposed that the new rule would come into force.



In accordance with subsection 19 of section 18.1 of the Rules of the Student Union it is the duty of the Representative Council 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:

It is proposed that the Student Union (ISYY) Rules are amended in accordance with APPENDIX 8. This is the first reading of the amendment of rules.

It is proposed that the amendment of rules comes into force on the 1st of January 2022 at the earliest, as proposed by the Executive Board.

Decision:

9. § Item 9 Proposed amendment to the Rules of the Student Union in regards to the motion of no confidence

APPENDIX 9

First reading

Matter:

At their meeting (16/2021), the Executive Board asked the Rules Committee to review the Rules of the Student Union in regards to the motion of no confidence and to make the necessary amendments to it.

At their meeting (2/2021), the Rules Committee discussed the section regarding the motion of no confidence and proposed the amendments to the Rules that are detailed in APPENDIX 9.

The Executive Board of the Student Union discussed the proposal at their meeting (21/2021) and proposed that the Representative Council accept the amendments.

In accordance with subsection 19 of section 18.1 of the Rules of the Student Union it is the duty of the Representative Council 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:

It is proposed that the Student Union (ISYY) Rules are amended in accordance with APPENDIX 9. This is the first reading of the amendment of rules.

Decision:

10. § Item 10 Proposed amendment to the rules of procedure of the ISYY Representative Council, APPENDIX 10

Matter:

At their meeting (16/2021), the Executive Board asked the Rules Committee to review the rules of procedure of the ISYY Representative Council and to make the necessary amendments to it.



At their meeting (2/2021), the Rules Committee discussed the rules of procedure of the ISYY Representative Council and proposed the amendments that are detailed in APPENDIX 10.

The Executive Board of the Student Union discussed the proposal at their meeting (21/2021) and proposed that the Representative Council accept the amendments.

In accordance with subsection 25 of section 18.1 of the Rules of the Student Union it is the duty of the Representative Council 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, teams and working groups established by the Executive Board.

The amendments to the rules of procedure accepted by the Representative Council shall come into force after the meeting has finished.

Motion:

The amendments to the rules of procedure of the ISYY Representative Council are accepted, APPENDIX 10.

Decision:

11. § Item 11 SYL General Assembly delegation for 2021, APPENDIX 11

Matter:

The SYL General Assembly will be held in Lahti from the 19th to the 20th of November 2021. Based on the number of members, ISYY is allowed to send 14 meeting delegates to the SYL General Assembly in 2020. In addition, ISYY may elect a maximum of 14 deputy delegates. At their meeting (5/2020) on the 25th of August 2020, the Representative Council accepted the SYL General Assembly seat allocation between different Representative Council Groups for the term 2020-2021. The first three deputy delegates were also elected.

In accordance with section 6 of the Rules of the National Union of University Students in Finland (SYL), SYL's highest decision-making power is exercised by the General Assembly. The mandates of the SYL General Assembly delegates of the member organisations shall be submitted to the SYL Office by the member organisations no later than seven (7) days before the General Assembly. Each member organisation has one General Assembly delegate for every 1 000 (or less) members. The number of members of the member organisation is based on the number of members as calculated on the first day of November of the previous academic year. In November 2020 ISYY had 13492 members and therefore is allowed to send 14 delegates to the SYL General Assembly.



Motion:

- 1. It is entered in the minutes for information that the SYL General Assembly seats for 2021 are allocated in accordance with APPENDIX 11.
- 2. The Executive Board propose that the Representative Council appoint the SYL General Assembly delegation 2021 in accordance with APPENDIX 11, and that the list of the General Assembly delegates is supplemented in accordance with the previously agreed seat allocation.
- 3. The Executive Board propose that the Representative Council elect deputy delegates to the SYL General Assembly as follows: the 4th deputy seat for the Secretary General, the 5th for the SYL Board candidate (if applicable) and the 6th for the support person of the SYL Board candidate (if applicable).
- 4. The Executive Board propose that the Representative Council delegate the right to supplement the list of the General Assembly delegates to the Executive Board. The list of delegates is to be supplemented in accordance with the previously agreed seat allocation based on the proposals made by the Representative Council Groups. In case the Representative Council Groups have not submitted their proposals by the 26th of September 2021, the Executive Board may fill the remaining seats as they see fit.

Decision:

12. § Item 12 Preliminary discussion on the documents related to the SYL General Assembly, APPENDIX 12

Matter:

The General Assembly of the National Union of University Students in Finland (SYL) will be held from the 19th to the 20th of November 2021. The SYL Board have requested the student unions' comments on the key documents before they are finalised.

The documents are in circulation for the student unions to comment on from Monday the 6th of September until Tuesday the 21st of September. The documents to be commented on can be found attached (APPENDIX12).

- 1. The Board's proposal for amendments to the SYL Policy Paper
- 2. The Action Plan for 2022
- 3. The Budget for 2022

Motion: The Executive Board propose to the Representative Council that:



- 1. The Representative Council have a preliminary discussion regarding the documents related to the SYL General Assembly of 2021.
- 2. If the Representative Council Groups have any comments regarding the documents, the comments are to be submitted in writing to the Secretary General by the 19th of September 2021.
- 3. The Representative Council authorise the Executive Board to compile the comments and draft ISYY's statement regarding the SYL General Assembly documents based on the preparatory work that has taken place.

Decision:

13. § Item 13 Any other business

Matter:

In accordance with section 16 of the Rules of the Student Union: 'Representative Council members may present proposed resolutions in Representative Council meetings. If the Representative Council approves the proposed resolution, the Executive Board shall take action within its authority in response to the proposed resolution within 30 days. The Executive Board is obligated to inform the Representative Council of the actions that were taken in response to the proposed resolution within a reasonable timeframe.'

Motion:

Any other business is dealt with.

Decision:

14. § Item 14 Closing the meeting

Chairperson closed the meeting at

Ella PartanenChairperson of the
Representative Council

Sanna Heinonen Secretary General