
Agenda

Representative Council Meeting 6/2020

Date: 29th of October, 2020 at 5pm

Place: Kuopio SN200 and Joensuu E100

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 Olli Auvinen opens the meeting at

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 22nd of October, 2020 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 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 two tellers are elected.

The proposed examiners of the minutes: Joonas Pänkäläinen (Deeku) and Carita Korhonen (Kokoomus).

The proposed tellers: Jimi Virkkala (FaBio), Jasmin Metwally (Judistit) and Annika Juurikko (ISYYn Demariopiskelijat), Lassi Oikkonen (Keskeiset).

Decision:

4. § Item 4 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:

5. § Item 5 Electing parity observers

Matter: In their action plan for the year 2020, the Representative Council have decided that designated parity observers shall be present during the Representative Council meetings. The parity observers keep track of who has the floor and the general atmosphere at the meetings. The Chairperson and other members of the Representative Council who have been appointed to the task during the meeting shall act as parity observers.

Motion: It is stated that the Chairperson of the Representative Council shall act as a parity observer during the meeting, in accordance with the action plan. The other parity observers are elected, if deemed necessary.

The proposed additional parity observers: Ella Partanen and Valtteri Bovellan.

Decision:

6. § Item 6 Resignation of a member of the Representative Council

Matter: Representative Council member Jenni Hiltunen (Savilahden Sivistyneet) has announced their resignation from the Representative Council by email on the 28th of August, 2020.

In accordance with subsection 5 of the section 10 of the Rules of the Student Union: *'If a Representative Council member loses their eligibility, resigns from the Representative Council in the middle of the term of office, is elected for a member of the Student Union's Executive Board or is otherwise disqualified or unable to participate in a Representative Council meeting, a deputy member shall replace them as an ordinary member, in accordance with subsections 2 and 3 of section 25 of the Election Regulations.'*

Motion: It is entered in the minutes for information that Jenni Hiltunen (Savilahden Sivistyneet) no longer is a member of the Representative Council.

It is also and entered in the minutes for information that Jimi Viita-aho, the first deputy member of Savilahden Sivistyneet, will become an ordinary member of the Representative Council.

Decision:

7. § Item 7 Changes in the composition of the Representative Council

Matter: As of 16th of September 2020, the following individuals will no longer be eligible as members of the Representative Council:

Pelkonen, Heini (ISYYn Demariopiskelijat)
Averio, Matti (Savilahden sivistyneet)
Doughan, Isaac (Opiskelijoiden etu - The Students' Interest)
Rana, Muhammad Abid (Opiskelijoiden etu - The Students' Interest)
Ketola, Nea (Kokoomus)
Värtinen, Heidi (Kokoomus)
Toivanen, Odeya (Puolueettomat)

Motion: It is entered in the minutes for information that the individuals listed above no longer are deputy members of the Representative Council.

Decision:

8. § Item 8 Notices, APPENDIX 8

Matter 1: Upcoming events and dates to take into consideration

Matter 2: The news and updates of the ISYY offices

Matter 3: The Executive Board have declared an open call for applications for the Executive Board for 2021. The application period starts on the 26th of October and lasts until the 22nd of November, 2020.

Matter 4: News of the Committees

Matter 5: The 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'*.

Matter 6: The Executive Board's response to the proposed resolution by the Representative Council titled 'ISYY and food assistance for students'. APPENDIX 8.

Motion: Entered in the minutes for information.

Decision:

9. § Item 9 Supplementing the University Collegiate Body

Matter: In accordance with section 46 of the Universities Act (558/2009) it is the special duty of the Student Union to nominate student representatives to the administrative bodies of the university referred to in chapter 3 of the Universities Act.

Sanna Hietämäki has not registered as present nor absent for the autumn term 2020, thus losing her eligibility to represent as a vice student member of the University Collegiate Body.

Mikko Aaltonen, the Academic and Social Affairs Specialist of ISYY, declared an open call for applications for the position of the vice student member for the University Collegiate Body on the 24th of September, 2020. The application period ended on the 8th of October at 12noon. The call for applications was published via the official bulletin board and other communication channels of the Student Union.

Four (4) people submitted their applications within the application period. Based on their application and cv, Julia Kukkoaho, Undergraduate Student of Educational Sciences, is the most qualified and motivated candidate for this position. The application documents can be obtained from the rapporteur upon request.

In accordance with section 18 of the Rules of the Student Union, it is the duty of the Representative Council to complement the University Collegiate Body and the UEF Board, from a proposal of the Executive Board of the Student Union.

Motion: The Executive Board propose that the Representative Council state that Sanna Hietämäki no longer is eligible to represent as a vice student member of the University Collegiate Body.

Additionally, the Executive Board propose that the Executive Board appoint Julia Kukkoaho as Marko Koskelo's personal vice member for the University Collegiate Body for the current term of office that lasts until the end of 2021.

Decision:

10. § Item 10 Supplementing the Rules Committee

Matter: Heli Saari (FaBio) is no longer a member of the Representative Council and therefore can no longer act as a member of the Rules Committee. In Heli Saari's absence, a new member for the Rules Committee must be elected.

In accordance with subsection 12 of section 18 of the Rules of the Student Union, it is the duty of the Representative Council *'to elect the Rules Committee and its Chairpersons'*.

In accordance with subsection 1 of the section 24 of the Rules of the Student Union: *'The Representative Council shall elect the Rules Committee amongst its members. Into the Rules Committee shall be elected representatives from as many Representative Council groups as possible. Into to the Committee shall be elected at least six (6) and at the most eight (8) members and if necessary, at the most four (4) deputy members in order. The Representative Council shall elect the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson amongst the members of the Committee. The Rules Committee may invite experts to be heard.'*

Motion: Veera Pajunen (FaBio) is elected as a member of the Rules Committee. Veera Pajunen currently acts as the 2nd deputy member of the Rules Committee.

If Pajunen is elected as a member of the Rules Committee, the necessary decisions will be taken in regards to the deputy members of the Rules Committee.

Decision:

11. § Item 11 The Student Union (ISYY) membership fee for the academic year 2021–2022

Matter:

In accordance with section 48 of the Rules of the Student Union:

'The Representative Council shall decide on the membership fees by a simple majority, before accepting the budget of the next accounting period. The Rector of the University of Eastern Finland shall confirm the membership fee. The Representative Council shall decide on changing the membership fee for the coming academic year, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote. In case the majority vote is not achieved, old membership fee shall stay in force. The Executive Board shall decide on the collection method and time of the membership fee.'

The sum of money that shall be the Student Union (ISYY) membership fee for the academic year 2021–2022 is to be confirmed before the budget can be accepted.

During the academic year 2019–2020 the membership fee for Bachelor and Master's degree students has been 100e (divided into ISYY's share of 71.5e and FSHS's share of 28.5e). If paid per semester, the membership fee for Bachelor and Master's degree students has been 64e for the autumn semester (divided into ISYY's share of 35,5e and FSHS's share of 28.5e) and 36e for the spring semester. The membership fee for postgraduate students for the academic year 2020–2021 has been 56e/academic year or 28e/semester (either autumn semester or spring semester).

Motion:

The Executive Board propose that the Representative Council shall decide that the ISYY membership fee for the academic year 2021–2022 is 71,5e for Bachelor and Master's degree students. If paid per semester, the membership fee for Bachelor and Master's degree students is 35,5e for the autumn semester and 36e for the spring semester. The membership fee for postgraduate students for the academic year 2021–2022 is 56e/academic year or 28e/semester (either autumn semester or spring semester).

Decision:

12. § Item 12 Proposal for amendments to the Student Union's administrative structure and other amendments to the Student Union's rules. First reading, APPENDIX 12.

Matter:

At their meeting 1/2020, the Rules Committee have drafted amendments to the Rules of Student Union in regards to the date of the Anniversary Party and the Annual Report of the Student Union.

Additionally, at their meeting 2/2020, the Rules Committee have drafted amendments to the administrative structure of the Student Union.

The proposals for amendments can be found in the APPENDIX 12.

In accordance with subsection 19 of section 18 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 1. This is the first reading of the amendment of rules.

Additionally, the Executive Board of the Student Union propose that the amendments to the administrative rules come into force on the 1st of April, 2021.

The Executive Board propose that the Representative Council authorise the Executive Board to take the measures required by the amended rules before the new administrative rules officially come into force. The Executive Board is authorised to set up teams and working groups in accordance with the new rules before the rules officially come into force.

Decision:

13. § Item 13 The Student Union Environment Programme, APPENDICES 13.1 & 13.2

Matter: At their meeting 2/2020, the Representative Council decided to set up the Environment Committee, the goal of which is to update the Student Union Environment Programme by the end of the year.

Motion: The Environment Committee propose that the Representative Council approve the Student Union Environment Programme, APPENDIX 13.1.

The Executive Board's proposals for amendments to the proposed Environment Programme can be found in the APPENDIX 13.2.

Decision:

14. § Item 14 Proposed amendment to the rules: the establishment of a Preparatory Committee, APPENDIX 14

Matter: An informal meeting of the Chairpersons of the Representative Council Groups has usually taken place before each Representative Council meeting. However, these meetings of the Chairpersons of the Representative Council Groups are not mentioned in the Rules of the Student Union, and the Representative Council has never set up a Committee for the Chairpersons of the Representative Council Groups.

In accordance with subsection 1 of section 24 of the Rules of the Student Union, it is the duty of the Rules Committee *'to prepare the rule amendments of the Student Union, from a motion of the Executive Board or the Representative Council'*.

In accordance with subsection 1 of section 25 of the Rules of the Student Union: *'(t)he Representative Council may establish Committees for its term of office at the longest. The Representative Council shall define the duties of a Committee, its field of operation and its members, when establishing the Committee'*. The Committee shall be composed of at least five (5) members who are appointed at the Representative Council meeting. *'A Committee may make motions for the Representative Council or the Executive Board, concerning matters belonging to its field of operation'*.

Motion: The Representative Council request the Rules Committee to prepare an amendment to the rules establishing a statutory Committee for the Chairpersons of the Representative Council Groups. It would be the duty of the Committee to prepare and draft matters to be discussed by the Representative Council before the Representative Council meetings.

Decision:

15. § Item 15 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:

16. § Item 16 Closing the meeting

Chairperson closed the meeting at

Olli Auvinen

Sanna Heinonen

Chairperson

Secretary