



## Agenda

### Representative Council Meeting 2/2020

**Date:** 1st of February, 2020 at 10am.

**Place:** Joensuu, room AU206

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 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 24th of January, 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. It is also stated that Niklas Leinonen cannot act as a member of the Representative Council while he has an employment contract with the Student Union. Deputy member Vilja Männistö replaces Leinonen in the Representative Council. In addition, the following people have been elected to the ISYY Executive Board for 2020 and therefore cannot act as members of the Representative Council during 2020: Salli Kosonen (Julius Viita to replace), Roosa Ylikoski (Mikko Hietala to replace), Yasmin Ayyoubi (Matias Uski to replace).

Hanne Juntunen has announced their absence from the Representative Council until the 30th of June, 2020. Iiris Pääkkönen will replace Juntunen as an ordinary member until then. Furthermore, it is stated that Pavel Kipriianov, a deputy member of the Representative Council, no longer is a member of the Representative Council.

**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.

**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 its action plan for the year 2020, the Representative Council has 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:** In accordance with the action plan, it is stated that the Chairperson of the Representative Council shall act as a parity observer during the meeting. The other parity observers are elected, if deemed necessary.

**Decision:**

## 6. § Item 6 Notices

### **Matter 1: Upcoming events and dates to take into consideration**

- 1.2. Representative Council meeting & training day in Joensuu at 10am
- 4.-5.2. Organisation training sessions, Joensuu/Kuopio
- 6-7.2. National Union of University Students in Finland (SYL) Opening Seminar in Tampere
- 20.2. The 10th anniversary celebration of UEF, Kuopio
- 5.-6.3. Directorate Seminar
- 12.3. Representative Council meeting & evening school
- 14.3. The 10th Anniversary Party of ISYY at IsoValkeinen, Kuopio
- XX.4. Representative Council meeting
- 19.5. Representative Council meeting

### **Matter 2: Electing student representatives in administration - gender impact assessment**

In accordance with the current Equality Plan of ISYY, the implementation of the Equality Plan will be monitored by conducting a gender impact assessment in relation to how the positions of trust are filled (for instance, by compiling statistics about the gender ratio with respect to how the positions of trust are filled).

During autumn 2019 ISYY announced a call for applicants for different student representative positions within the UEF Board, University Collegiate Body and the Faculty Councils. The application period was from the 9th of September until the 24th of September. The number of applications that were submitted within the application period was not sufficient to fill all of the positions of trust, apart from the UEF Board, where all of the positions were filled. At their meeting meeting 44/2019, ISYY Executive Board decided to extend the application period by seven (7) days, in a manner that is in accordance with section 58a of the Rules of the Student Union (ISYY). The number of applications that were submitted within the extended application period was not sufficient to fill all of the positions of trust, apart from the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Business Studies, where all of the positions were filled. Thus, the remaining positions of trust were filled by using an executive search process.

**Matter 3:** At their meeting on the 10th of January, 2020 the Executive Board decided that from now on students who have activated their continued right to study at UEF are allowed to join the Student Union or keep their existing membership if they so wish.

**Matter 4:** The Executive Board has appointed the following working groups and members of working groups: The Anniversary Party working group consisting of: Ada Hyytiäinen, Ella Partanen, Miska Tanskanen, Matti Averio, Pinja Kääriäinen, Aino Peltonen, Pinja Mertano, Arttu Leppäkynnäs, Emmi Rajavuori and Juuso Myller. Secretary Saara Närä and Anniversary Party Master Rosa Sinisalo are also included in the working group. The working group for the operational improvement of the ISYY Kiosk consisting of: Aino Peltonen, Pinja Kääriäinen and Valtteri Bovellan. In addition, three members of staff were elected to the working group: Secretary General Sanna Heinonen, Kiosk Worker Terhi Lyytinen and Sakari Kinnunen who is completing their non-military service at ISYY.

### **Matter 5: Proposed resolutions that were discussed on the 11th of December, 2019 (4)**

- Proposed resolution – the archiving of Student Newspaper Uljas and its predecessors
- Proposed resolution – the development of Sports Services

Proposed resolution – the development of UEF parking services

Proposed resolution – the development of the 24/7 facilities at UEF

**Matter 6:** The 10th Anniversary Party of ISYY at IsoValkeinen, Kuopio on the 14th of March, 2020

**Matter 7: 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 8: The news and updates of the ISYY Offices**

**Motion:** Entered in the minutes for information

**Decision:**

**7. § Item 7 Electing the Rules Committee for 2020-2021**

**Matter:** In accordance with 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. [...]

*Duties of the Rules Committee are:*

1. to prepare the rule amendments of the Student Union, from a motion of the Executive Board or the Representative Council;
2. to make a statement for other organs of the Student Union in case they are considering a request or a claim for a revised decision; and
3. to present for the Chairperson of the Representative Council a rule interpretation that binds the Student Union, in case there becomes disagreement in interpretation of the Student Union's rules.

*Confirmed rule interpretations shall be published on the official bulletin board of the Student Union and in the collection of rules of the Student Union.'*

**Motion:** A minimum of six (6) and a maximum of eight (8) members, and, if necessary, up to four (4) deputy members shall be elected from among the members of the Representative Council into the Rules Committee. The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Rules Committee shall be elected from among the members.

**Decision:**

**8. § Item 8 Establishing other Committees for the 2020-2021 term, as deemed necessary by the Representative Council**

**Matter:** In accordance with section 25 of the Rules of the Student Union: 'The 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. 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 decides to establish the Committees that are deemed necessary.

**Decision:**

**9. § Item 9 Deciding on the remuneration that is to be paid to the presiding officers during the 2020-2021 term**

**Matter:** In the past, the presiding officers of the Representative Council of the Student Union (ISYY) have received remuneration for their duties. In accordance with section 51 of the Rules of the Student Union:

*'Elected officials of the Student Union may receive remuneration from their duties. The Representative Council shall decide the remunerations of the Representative Council's Chairpersons. The Executive Board shall decide on remunerations of other organs and elected officials.'*

However, the Chairperson of the Representative Council is incompetent to make a proposal on the matter due to the likelihood of bias, and therefore the Executive Board should make a proposal to the Representative Council.

In accordance with subsection 6 of the section 13 of the Rules of the Student Union:

*'In case the Chairperson of the Representative Council or a Vice Chairperson is disqualified to consider a matter, a Representative Council member maybe appointed as the Chairperson of the Meeting for the time of considering the matter, if necessary.'*

**Motion:** The Executive Board proposes that the Representative Council would decide on the remuneration of the presiding officers of the Representative Council.

The Executive Board proposes to the Representative Council, that the Chairperson is paid EUR 1000 per annum for their duties. The Vice Chairpersons are paid EUR 500 per annum each for their duties.

**Decision:**

**10. § Item 10 Amendment of Rules regarding the Student Union (ISYY) Finance Committee and the Finances Working Group, the second hearing, APPENDIX 10**

**Matter:** Based on the preliminary discussion held at their meeting 5/2019, ISYY Representative Council decided to authorise the Executive Board to draft the amendment of rules regarding the committees and working groups that are related to ISYY finances. At their meeting 49/2019, ISYY Executive Board decided to pass the matter to the Rules Committee.

At their meeting 6/2019, ISYY Rules Committee discussed the amendment of rules regarding the Finances Working Group and other finance-related decision-making bodies.

In accordance with subsection 1 of section 24.4 of the Rules of the Student Union it is the duty of the Representative Council *'to prepare the rule amendments of the Student Union, from a motion of the Executive Board or the Representative Council'*.

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'*.

The amendments as detailed in Appendix 10 were approved by the Representative Council for the first time at their meeting 10/2019.

**Motion:** The Rules of ISYY are amended in accordance with Appendix 10.1.

It is decided that the Student Union may begin preparations for the Finance Committee before the amendment of rules come into force.

**Decision:**

**11. § Item 11 Members of the finances working group (conditional)**

**Matter:** If during Item 10 the Representative Council accepted the amendment of rules in regards to the Finance Committee and that the Student Union may begin preparations for the Finance Committee before the amendment of rules come into force, the members of the finances working group can therefore be discussed as well.

The Finance Committee can get organised, but it has no jurisdiction or operational function before the amendment of rules has been confirmed. In accordance with sections 18.1 and 12 a. of the amended Rules of the Student Union, it is the duty of the Representative Council to elect the Finance Committee and its Chairperson.

Additionally, in accordance with section 24a. 1 of the amended Rules of the Student Union, the Finance Committee discusses and drafts proposals on specific finance-related issues within the Student Union. At the beginning of their term of office, the Representative office shall elect at least four (4) and no more than six (6) members of the Student Union and a maximum of four (4) deputy members into the Committee. In addition, the Executive Board shall elect at least one (1) and no more than three (3) specialists as ordinary members of the Committee. The Representative Council shall elect the Chairperson of the Finance Committee amongst the members of the Committee. A Finance Committee shall elect a Vice Chairperson from amongst its members. The members of the Finance Committee must be familiar with financial matters and show interest in economy.

**Motion:** The number of members to be had in the Finance Committee is decided and the members are elected.

The number of deputy member to be had in the Finance Committee is decided and the deputy members are elected.

The Chairperson of the Finance Committee shall be elected from among the members of the Committee.

**Decision:**

**12. § Item 12 Deciding on the shape of the Municipal Ribbon**

**Matter:** This matter has been specified in the Student Union Action Plan for 2020

In accordance with section 8 of the Symbol Regulations of the Student Union: *'The Municipal Ribbon is given to members of the Student Union and the permanent staff of the Student Union. When the Municipal Ribbon is being worn, the occasion and the outfit worn should be of a suitable nature. The person wearing the Municipal Ribbon is to be a representative of the Student Union and should behave accordingly and in a respectful manner. The Municipal Ribbon shall not be worn together with the Student Union Medal of Honour, Medal of Distinction or Ribbon of Honour. The Municipal Ribbon is worn as a ribbon over the right shoulder towards the left or as a rosette on the left side at the front. The Municipal Ribbon is worn blue side down. Municipal Ribbons are worn in the following order: The Student Union Ribbon at the top, followed by Fraternity Ribbons, Student Organisation Ribbons and other University Community Organisation Ribbons, in the order of age.'*

**Motion:** The Executive Board proposes that the Representative Council makes a decision regarding the shape of the Municipal Ribbon.

**Decision:**

**13. § Item 13 Amendments to the Symbol Regulations of the Student Union, APPENDIX 13**

**Matter:** The Executive Board has drafted amendments to the Symbol Regulations of the Student Union in cooperation with the presiding officers.

In accordance with section 10 of the Symbol Regulations of the Student Union: *'Any revisions or additions made to this document require an absolute majority decision of the Representative Council of the Student Union (ISYY).'*

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 and working groups established by the Executive Board.'*

In case the Student Union Rules and other regulations of lower hierarchy clearly conflict with each other, the Student Union Rules are to be adhered to.

**Motion:** The Representative Council will discuss the Executive Board's proposal to amend the Symbol Regulations of the Student Union.

**Decision:**

**14. § Item 14 The Executive Board's proposal for the honorary member of the Student Union (confidential)**

**Matter:** In accordance with section 62 of the Rules of the Student Union *'(t)he Representative Council of the Student Union may invite a person or community for an honorary member of the Student Union, with a unanimous decision, from a proposal of the Executive Board. The Student Union shall keep a public list of its honorary members.'*

**Motion:** The Executive Board presents their proposal for the honorary member during the Representative Council meeting.

**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 obliged 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

Chairperson

Sanna Heinonen

Secretary