



**DALHOUSIE STUDENT UNION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
JANUARY 25TH, 1996
NOON @ GREEN ROOM, SUB
ALL DALHOUSIE STUDENTS MAY ATTEND AND VOTE
(PLEASE BRING VALID DAL ID)**



Constitutional By-Law amendments to be discussed, debated and voted upon at the Annual General Meeting.

BIRT By-Law III part 3 section (j) be amended to: coordinate the activities of the Executive to accomplish (e) and (i) above;

BIFRT By-Law III part 3 be amended to include: (m) chair the mandatory weekly Officers meeting of the Union; BIFRT By-Law III part 7 section (d) be struck and the remainder alphabetized appropriately.

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law III part 7 be amended to include: (m) be the only individual authorized to exceed a budgeted line item, but must bring this action to the attention of Council at its next regular meeting.

BIFRT By-Law III part 7 be amended to include (n) do an audit of every "A" Society and levied organization during the Fall and Winter terms before allotting monies for the society or levied organization;

BIFRT By-Law III part 10 be amended to: Each Officer shall work full time during the summer and 25 hours per week during the regular academic year, half of which must be worked during the regular business hours of the SUB;

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law III part 13 be amended to: Each Officer must take at least one half (0.5) credit per term from September to the end of April each Academic year.

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law IV part 2 section (c) be amended to Vice-President Academic and External Affairs, effective May 1, 1996;

BIFRT By-Law IV part 2 section (d) be amended to Vice-President Community Affairs, effective May 1, 1996;

BIFRT By-Law IV part 2 section (e) and (f) be struck from the By-Law effective May 1, 1996 and the remainder of the part be alphabetized appropriately.

BIFRT By-Law IV part 5 be amended to include section (d) Council Secretary - who shall assist the Executive Assistant 15 hours a week at a wage set by the Officers, effective May 1, 1996;

BIFRT By-Law IV part 16 be amended to: Quorum for Council Meetings shall be 50% plus 1 of the members of Council elected or appointed at any time during the academic year, and then (8) members of Council during the months of May, June, July, and August.

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law IV be amended to include the following, effective May 1st, 1996:

17. Councilors shall have an Email Account, and it is the responsibility of the Vice-President Community Affairs to help councilors become familiar using resources available on the Internet.

18. All Councilors shall have to submit a photo, or make arrangements to have a photo taken by DSU Photo. Photos of Councilors shall be placed on the DSU Web Site and shall be posted on a bulletin board in the Student Union Building.

Moved by: Curtis Cartmill Seconded by: Alix Dostal

BIRT By-Law V part 1 section (b) be amended to: Vice-President Academic and External Affairs effective May 1, 1996;

BIFRT By-Law V part 1 section (c) be amended to: Vice-President Community Affairs, effective May 1, 1996;

BIFRT By-Law V part 1 sections (d) and (e) be struck from the By-Law, effective May 1, 1996.

BIFRT By-Law V part 2 be amended to: administer the Union full time during the summer and 25 hours per week during the regular academic year, half of which must be worked during the regular business hours of the SUB, effective May 1, 1996;

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law V part 6 be amended to: The Executive must meet at least once a week and operate under the rules of procedure for the DSU Council;

BIFRT By-Law V part 8 be amended to: (a) Quorum for meetings of the Executive shall be three (3) members, effective May 1, 1996;

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law VII part 2 be amended to: A budget for each Fiscal year shall be approved by Council before April 15 of the preceding Fiscal year and revised before December 15 each year;

BIFRT By-Law VII part 5 be amended to: (e) The Board of Governors is authorized to collect from each full time and part time student in every year, a sum, the amount which shall be fixed by referendum of the membership, or by approval at a General Meeting of the Union with a petition containing 20% of the Union's membership, during the preceding fiscal year, to be paid by the Board of Governors to the Union;

(b) section (a) shall apply to all DSU levies; (c) The Board of Governors is only authorized to collect fees for a DSU Society that has passed the fee amount through a referendum of its membership, or by approval at a General Meeting of the Society with a petition containing 20% of the membership's signatures of the Society in question;

(d) A referendum or General Meeting on DSU fees, levies, and Society fees shall only occur if the amount is to increase and shall not apply to the current amount collected by the Union as of May 1, 1996;

(e) Council must ratify the results of a referendum or General Meeting vote to increase the DSU fee, levy, or Society fee to ensure that all constitutional requirements were followed;

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law VII part 11 be struck and the remainder renumbered appropriately.

BIFRT By-Law VII part 13 be amended to: There shall be a Finance Committee that shall consist of:

Four (4) members of the Union, two who must be non Councilors; the President; non voting the Treasurer, who shall

chair the Committee;

BIFRT By-Law VII part 14 be amended to: The Committee shall be appointed by May 1 of each fiscal year, and take effect May 1, 1996;

BIFRT By-Law VII part 15 section (a) be amended to: (a) review the financial statements of the Union and all cheques issued by the signing Officers on a monthly basis during the regular academic year;

(b) The financial records for May, June, July, August will be reviewed by the Finance Committee during the September review period;

BIFRT By-Law VII part 18 be amended to: Council shall, a) by March 30, appoint competent external auditors to conduct an examination of the books of account of the Union for the preceding fiscal year and to report on such examination to Council.

b) appoint competent external auditors to conduct an examination of the books of account of a DSU Department for the current fiscal year and to report on such examination to Council.

BIFRT By-Law VII part 19 be amended to: The Finance Committee shall assist the Treasurer in the revision, on a yearly basis, of the Financial regulation and present any recommendations to Council by March 30.

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law VIII part 3 be amended to: For the better administration of finances and the activities and its members, the Officers shall have the right to examine the records, reports, or minutes of any club, society, organization under the jurisdiction of the Union;

BIFRT By-Law VIII part 4 be amended to: The Officers shall report the results of such examination at the subsequent meeting of Council.

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law X part 5 be amended to: Quorum at a General Meeting shall be 75 eligible voting members of the Union.

BIFRT By-Law X part 12 be amended to: Council shall be bound by the results of a referendum.

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law XI part 3 section (a) be amended to: non compliance without reasonable excuse on the part of an Officer or Executive Member with any mandatory requirement of the By-Laws or Regulations.

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

BIRT By-Law XI part 10 be amended to read effective May 1, 1996: Any member of Council shall automatically be declared recalled by the Chair when anyone at a Council Meeting draws the attention of the Chair to the fact that the member has, without a reasonable excuse, as determined by the Chair, failed to attend any two (2) Council Meetings during their term between September 1 and April 30.

Moved by: Curtis Cartmill Seconded by: Alix Dostal

BIRT By-Law XIII be amended to the following:

1. Policies are statements of principle and fundamental belief of the Union.

2. Policies are binding on executive, staff, and council.

3. Types of Policy:

a) Sub-Ops Policy - policy relevant to full-time staff, SUB staff, building operations

b) Financial Policy - policy relevant to business management, grants, investments, budget and finance

c) Issues Policy - policy relevant to social issues

d) Academic Policy - policy relevant to internal academic issues

e) External Policy - policy relevant to external group relations

f) Community Affairs Policy - policy relevant to social events and charitable activities

g) Communications Policy - policy relevant to dissemination of information to and from students, staff, Councilors and the community

4. Responsibilities for Policy portfolios:

a) Each Executive member will be responsible for maintaining and bringing forward their policy portfolios for annual ratification by Council.

b) Each Executive member will take responsibility for certain portfolios:

i) Sub Ops Policy - Executive Vice President

ii) Financial Policy - Treasurer

iii) Issues Policy - President

iv) Academic and External Policy - Vice President Academic and External Affairs, effective May 1, 1996

v) Community Affairs Policy - Vice President Community Affairs effective May 1, 1996

c) Annual ratification by Council must occur by October 15, otherwise existing policy will become null and void.

5. The 1995-96 Executive shall assume its current responsibility with regard to policy until the end of the 1995-96 term in Office

6. Amending Formula: Policy can be rescinded/ amended/added-to by a 2/3 vote of Councilors present at any Council meeting during the period between September to April.

7. Policy Conflict:

a) policy shall be sub-ordinate to By-Laws, Regulations and Referendums, therefore any attempt to pass such a policy would be out of order. Resolutions are subordinate to policy.

b) Executive members and the Chair are responsible for bringing to the attention of Council potential conflicts with existing policy.

c) If there is conflict with prior policy, the most recent policy will be out of order.

Moved by: David Cox Seconded by: Bret Leech

**LOOKING FOR A
FALL ORIENTATION
CHAIR 1996**

**DEADLINE FOR
APPLICATIONS:**

MONDAY JANUARY 15TH

**PLEASE SUBMIT RESUMÉ
WITH COVER LETTER TO THE
EMPLOYMENT
CENTRE, 4TH FLOOR, SUB**

**FOR MORE INFO CONTACT
SCOTT MACINTYRE
(DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS ACTIVITIES) AT**