REPORT: STEERING COMMITTEE 2021-10-12

Submitted for: Thursday, October 14th

Attendance

Present: Speaker, Governance Manager, Parliamentarian, Councillor Javed, Councillor Coussa, Vice President Internal

Regrets: SSMU President

Guest Speakers

● There were no guest speakers at this committee's session.

New Business

● Motions reviewed by the committee are listed below. The committee undertook the formatting, stylistic, spelling, and grammatical changes it deemed necessary to all motions and notice of motions submitted by the deadline.
  ○ Motion concernant des changements au Comité des Affaires Francophones 2021-10-14
  ○ Motion Regarding Nominations To The Society’s Board Of Directors 2021-10-14
● This motion was submitted to the Steering Committee after the deadline because of communication error.
  ○ Motion Regarding Creation Of Quips Fund And Fee 2021-10-14

Innovations

● Scheduling Survey results
  ○ 22.2% of respondents said the current schedule did not work with them
  ○ Over 50% of respondents prefer meeting once per month
  ○ The majority of respondents prefer to keep the current schedule and prefer that any change be enacted for the next semester
While the majority are comfortable to hold in-person meetings in the Winter semester, the majority of respondents would also prefer to keep the meetings via Zoom in the Winter semester.

- You may find the full survey results in Annex I

Reminders

We kindly ask Councillors to keep the following points in mind:

- Please keep your discussions and debates polite and directed to the Speaker, do not use personal attacks even to people who are not present here.
- Remember to vote
- Remember the upcoming GA, encourage your constituents to participate
- Please feel free to contact either myself, Parliamentarian Kaur or Governance Manager Michal if you have questions or concerns about your responsibilities and what you have to prepare for Legislative Council
- Do not forget the NDA you signed and agreed to; this NDA, and the consequences applicable if it is breached are in effect in Confidential Sessions

Confidential Session

Councillors should be aware that there will not be a confidential session this evening.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexandre Ashkir, Speaker of the Legislative Council
ANNEX I:

Please select the days for Council meetings, that work best for you
18 responses

- Monday: 10 (55.6%)
- Tuesday: 7 (38.9%)
- Wednesday: 7 (38.9%)
- Thursday: 11 (61.1%)

Does the current schedule of Legislative Council meetings work with you?
18 responses

- Yes: 77.8%
- No: 22.2%
Do you prefer to meet twice a month or once a month for Legislative Council meetings?
18 responses

- 55.6% prefer once a month
- 44.4% prefer twice a month

Please select the start times that would work best for you (EST)
18 responses

- 2PM: 2 (11.1%)
- 4PM: 4 (22.2%)
- 6PM: 17 (94.4%)
Do you prefer to keep meetings as they are with the current schedule?
18 responses

- Yes: 66.7%
- No: 27.8%
- As long as it is on Thursday or Monday, I don't mind it being changed especially if they start earlier: 5.5%

If changes were to be done, would you prefer them to be enacted immediately or next semester?
18 responses

- Now: 61.1%
- Next semester: 38.9%

Would you be comfortable to hold in-person meetings in the Winter semester?
18 responses

- Yes: 66.7%
- No: 33.3%
Would you prefer to keep the meetings via Zoom in the Winter semester? (no matter your answer to the previous question)
18 responses

- Yes: 61.1%
- No: 38.9%

Raw data here: Legislative Council Scheduling Survey (Responses)