

Motion Title: Amendments to Standing Orders Motion

Motion Resolves:

To amend the standing orders (Schedule 5) as follows:

Insert between the current 6.5 and 6.6 a new section, to be entitled 6.6.

“6.6 Voting on matters of procedure or on the interpretation of these standing orders may not be required where there is an existence of unanimous consent.

To obtain unanimous consent in such a case, the Chair states that “If there is no objection... [or, “Without objection...”] the action that they mention will be taken; or they may ask, “Is there any objection to...?” They then pause, and if no member calls out an objection the chair announces that, “Since there is no objection...,” the action is decided upon. If any member objects the chair must state the question on the motion, allow any desired debate as allowed by these standing orders and put the question in the regular manner.

The motion subject to unanimous consent shall not require a seconder nor to be formally proposed.”

Amend Schedule 5, section 8, as follows.

- 1.1 Minutes of the General Meeting, Annual General Meeting, Committee Meetings and Sub Committees Meetings shall be taken. These Minutes shall be filed as a true and accurate record and made available to all members of the Students' Union via the Union's website within ten University days of the meeting, wherever possible. **For the purpose of information, interim information on the votes cast shall be made available to the membership as soon as practicable.**

Amend Schedule 5, section 10.3 i), as follows:

- i) The following procedural motions may be put:
 - a) That the motion be now put
 - b) That any Standing Order or any part of one may be suspended as provided for below
 - c) That the meeting be temporarily adjourned for a specific time
 - d) That the motion be remitted to the appropriate Union Committee
 - e) That the motion be referred back for investigation or re-examination
 - f) That the meeting be closed
 - g) That the meeting be closed at a specific time
 - h) That the motion be voted on in parts

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- i) That the motion being discussed should be set aside
- j) That a time limit be set on speeches on this motion
- k) That the orders of the day be read
- l) That observers be removed, and the motion heard in private.

Amend Schedule 11, section 11.3 i) as follows:

- "i) Be without notice and be carried by a **simple** majority of a meeting".

Amend Schedule 11, section 11.4, as follows:

"11.4 A Vote of No Confidence can be called for the sole purpose of removing elected officer(s) and shall be run in the **same manner in a general meeting as it would be for** Referendum as outlined in Schedule 2 except where specific differences are outlined.

- i) All questions shall be framed as "Do you agree that [Insert officer name] who holds the position [insert officer position] does not have the confidence of the student body and should be removed from office?"
- ii) A Vote of No Confidence must receive two thirds **majority of the general meeting** to pass.
- iii) If a Vote of No Confidence is passed, the officer shall be removed from office and the General Meeting shall have the option to ban said officer from standing for election to any elected position within the Union for a period of normally not longer than one year **upon the same supermajority as required in part (ii).**"

Motion Notes:

That the standing orders of this Union can be adapted for the more efficient and effective representation of students

Motion Believes:

N/A