

# Imperial College Union Amending Standing Orders Appendices Union Council / November 2022

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Purpose: To propose changes in the required membership or subcommittees of

council, as well as wording of the Appendices to fit the outcomes of the

Democratic Structures Review.

Decision: To approve the appropriate changes to Appendices A and B of the Standing

Orders of Council.

#### **Union Notes**

- 1. In June 2022, the previous Union President presented a Democratic Structures Review to Council which was approved.
- 2. In this Review, most subcommittees of Council became Forums with no voting or policy making powers, with the exception of the Clubs, Societies and Projects Board and Scrutiny Committee.
- 3. The Constituent Union Forum has delegated authority to ratify Constituent Union Standing Orders, and therefore holds a Voting Membership
- 4. The Events Forum was first put in place by the Deputy President (Finance & Services) as a casual forum in 2021/22, agreed upon by Council.
- 5. The Events Forum was not included in the Standing Orders Appendix B as a Subcommittee of Council.
- 6. All Forums still have required "Non-Voting Membership of the Committee" in Appendix B of the Standing Orders.
- 7. The role of GSU President was suspended by ICU Board of Trustees in September 2021 and replaced with PG Representative Chairs.

# **Union Believes**

- 1. Forums of non-voting and non-policy making power should be open to any full member of the Union.
- 2. The Standing Orders of the Union should accurately reflect previous reviews and decisions of the Union Council and Board of Trustees.

## **Union Resolves**

- 1. To amend Appendix A of the Standing Orders of Council to remove mention of the GSU President.
- 2. To amend Appendix B of the Standing Orders of Council to include the Events Forum.
- 3. To amend Appendix B of the Standing Orders of Council to change the wording surrounding membership of Forums.

## Attached

- 1. Amended version of Appendix A
- 2. Amended version of Appendix B