UUSU Societies Constitution – 2024 Review

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| Existing Rule | New Rule |
| 1.2. Affiliated sports clubs & societies are afforded a range of support (funding, access to services, professional staff support, administration support etc) from UUSU and Ulster University central services. | 1.2. Affiliated societies are afforded a range of support (funding, access to services, professional staff support, administration support etc) from UUSU and Ulster University central services. |
| Campus Option Box | Remove Multi Campus Option |
| 3.3 All graduates of Ulster University will be entitled to membership, following application and payment of the appropriate membership fee. | Remove |
| 3.4. Those not eligible as full or graduate members may become associate members of the spots club or society, following application and payment of the membership fee. | 3.4. Those not eligible as full members may become associate members of the society, following application and payment of the membership fee. |
| 3.5. Honorary Life Associate of UUSU Sports may be granted by the UUSU Student Council to persons who have given exceptional service to their club. | 3.5 Remove |
| 3.6. The proportion of non-full UUSU members must not exceed 33% of the membership of sports clubs or 20% of student societies. | 3.6. The proportion of non-full UUSU members must not exceed 20% of student societies. |
| 3.7. Only full members of UUSU may hold office within a sports club or society. Graduate/ associate or honorary members may participate in an advisory role, however they will not be entitled to a vote. | 3.7 Remove |
| 4.2 All those wishing to be office bearers must be current members of the sports club or society | 4.2. All those wishing to be office bearers must be current members of the society. |
| 4.3.3. Treasurer – will have oversight of the finances of the sports club/society | 4.3.3 Treasurer – will have oversight of the finances of the society |
| 4.3.4. Additional posts may be added – please detail these here | 4.3.4. Additional posts may be added – please detail these here (Including role descriptions) (e.g. Wellbeing Officer, Events Officer, Other Campus representatives) |
| 4.4.1. The chairperson shall act as returning officer for the election, where the chairperson wishes to run they shall defer to another member of the committee | Create new section 5 Elections  5.1. The chairperson shall act as returning officer for the election, where the chairperson wishes to run or there is deemed to be a conflicted of interest they shall defer to another member of the committee or member of UUSU Staff. |
| 4.4.2. All members of the sports club/society shall be eligible to run for positions | 5.2. All members of the society shall be eligible to run for positions |
| 4.4.3. All candidates must be proposed and seconded by another member | 5.3 All candidates must be proposed and seconded by another member |
| 4.4.4 Voting shall take place via secret ballot, and where the votes obtained by one candidate exceed the votes obtained by any other candidate for that position, he/she shall be deemed elected to that position | 5.4 Voting shall take place via procedure as outlined in the guidance from Student Activities Team. |
| 4.5. The term of office for the committee positions will be one calendar year, with the commencement dates agreed between the incoming and outgoing committees. | Move to Society Committee Responsibilities New Section 6  6.1 The term of office for the committee positions will be one calendar year, with the commencement dates agreed between the incoming and outgoing committees and agreed with the Student Activities Team. |
| 4.6. A member of the committee may resign at any time during their term of office, through a letter to the chairperson – or in the case of the chairperson to the secretary. | 6.2 A member of the committee may resign at any time during their term of office, through written communication to the chairperson – or in the case of the chairperson to the secretary. This must also be communicated to your Student Activities Coordinator. |
| 4.7 The committee should ordinarily meet every other week, and at least three members must be present. The secretary should keep a record of the main points of business discussed. | 6.3 The committee should ordinarily meet every other week, and at least three members must be present. The secretary should keep a record of the main points of business discussed. |
|  | Move remaining items down. |
| 5.1. All sponsorship/partnership agreements involving a UUSU sports club or society is subject to approval of the UUSU Senior Management Team. The process for attaining this will be provided for committees during the handover and training periods. | 6.4 All sponsorship/partnership agreements involving a UUSU society is subject to approval of the Societies Management Committee. |
| 5.2. The finances of the Society shall be managed by the Chairperson and Treasurer of the Society. | 6.5 The finances of the Society shall be managed by the Committee of the Society. |
| 5.3. No member of the committee of the Society shall receive remuneration from the Society or use their office for personal financial gain. | 6.6 No member of the committee of the Society shall use their office for personal financial gain. |
| 5.4. Each sports club & society shall ensure that: | 6.7 Each society shall ensure that:  Copy until 5.6 from amended byelaw. |
| 5.7. Committee members will be the representatives for their club or society to UUSU, and as such will be required to attend campus meetings and to nominate representatives to Student Council | 6.Something . Committee members will be the representatives for their society with UUSU, and as such will be required to attend campus Forum meetings . |
| 6. Sports Club/Society Meetings | 7 Society Annual General Meetings |
| 6.1. The Annual General Meeting shall take place in the second semester of the academic year, at a time to be determined by the committee. | 7.1. The Annual General Meeting shall take place by week 6 of the second semester of the academic year, at a time to be determined by the committee. |
| 6.4. Extraordinary General Meetings may be called by a resolution passed by the majority of the committee, or on the receipt of a request from the membership which carries support from 10% of the membership. | 7.4. Extraordinary General Meetings may be called by agreement of the majority of the committee, or on the receipt of a request from the membership which carries support from 10% of the membership. |
| 7 Amendments to the Sports Club/Society Constitution | 8 Amendments to the Society Constitution |
| 7.1. Amendments to this constitution can be made an AGM or EGM of the sports club/society. | 8.1. Amendments to the constitution can be made via an AGM or EGM of the society. |
| 7.2. Amendments will be subject to ratification through the relevant UUSU channels | 8.2. Amendments will be subject to ratification through the relevant UUSU channels |
| 8. Dissolution of the Sports Club Society | 9. Dissolution of the Society |
| 8.1. A society may be dissolved through a vote at an AGM or EGM. | 9.1. Remove |
| 8.2. UUSU has the power to dissolve a sports club or society if it fails to elect a committee for two successive academic years. | 9.2. UUSU has the power to dissolve a society if it fails to elect a committee for two successive academic years or it is deemed inactive in line with Appendix 5 on Inactive Societies. |
| 8.3. All assets, including fundraising monies, shall become property of UUSU who will have the authority to decide how this is distributed. | Remove |
| Remove President from Signed Section. |  |