

# Bylaw Committee MINUTES

2011-2012 #5

Date: June 29, 2011 Time: 6:20 PM

In Attendance:

Woods, Gould, Johnson, Sumar, Karuvelil, Eslinger

**Excused Absence:** 

Iskander

Others in Attendance:

Ferguson

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by WOODS at 6:20 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF

AGENDA

SUMAR moved that the June 29, 2011 agenda be approved as tabled.

Seconded by GOULD.

Vote on Motion 6/0/1

CARRIED.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

SUMAR moved that the June 22, 2011 minutes be approved as tabled.

The motion was seconded by GOULD.

Vote on Motion 6/0/1

CARRIED.

4. WOODS can only attend half of the next meeting due to other meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS commitments.

SUMAR will chair the second half of the July 13th meeting.

5. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. New Business

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

8. DISCUSSION AND FERGUSON presentation on Impeachment Policies from 16 University associations across Canada

> Watch for wording loop-hole in the Impeachment Document between "Councilor" and "Board of Governor's Representative"

FERGUSON discussed that there are three distinctions to consider for **Impeachment Documents:** 

- **Detailed or Vague**
- **Petition and Motion OR Petition Only OR Motion Only**
- Two Committees versus No Committee

**JOHNSON:** What is the difference between removal and impeachment? FERGUSON: A "Recall" is for when something technical seems to have happened. For example, if you thought something wrong happened with the ballots.

"Impeachment" has a certain connotation. Impeachment happens when you feel the person is doing a poor job, or has sullied the reputation of the institution, and therefore, you want them out.

"Removal" is simply a less "heavy" term than Impeachment.

"Replenishment" addresses how positions will be filled after somebody is removed or impeached. Replenishment should be considered and addressed by the committee for the Impeachment Bylaw.

#### Three Appeal Paths Discussed

- No Appeal
- **Appeal through DIE Board**
- **Appeal through Standing Committee**

Standing Committee and Ad Hoc Committees discussed.

FERGUSON discussed reasons people will appeal and why it would go to DIE Board, or not.

In camera/Ex camera pros and cons discussed.

DIE Board being explicitly mentioned in the Bylaw discussed.

Excused vs. Missed Attendance for Executives discussed.

SUMAR read the ULSU Requirements document to help the committee ensure nothing has been missed in the Impeachment Document under "Just Cause."

Petitions and Plebiscites as options discussed.

### WOODS explained that it will take one more meeting to get this Impeachment Bylaw to first reading.

#### 9. REPORTS

10. CLOSED **SESSION** 

July 13, 2011 6:00PM **11. NEXT** 

**MEETING** 

*SUMAR* moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by *JOHNSON*. 12. ADJOURNMENT

Vote on Motion 6/0/1

CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.