

BYLAW COMMITTEE MINUTES

2011-2012 #6

Date: July 27, 2011 Time: 6:06 PM

In Attendance:

Woods, Gould, Johnson, Eslinger, Karuvelil (6:08), Sumar (6:31)

Excused Absence:

Iskander

Others in Attendance:

Insert names of Non-committee Members present

1. CALL TO

The meeting was called to order by WOODS at 6:06 pm.

ORDER:

2. APPROVAL OF

AGENDA

JOHNSON moved that the July 21, 2011 agenda be approved as tabled.

Seconded by GOULD.

Vote on Motion 4/0/3

CARRIED.

3. APPROVAL OF

MINUTES

No Minutes

4. WOODS Wants to get the Impeachment Document ready for first reading.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Processes of passing bylaws and policies can be reviewed at a later date if

there is no time during this meeting.

5. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. DISCUSSION AND Impeachment Discussion

INFORMATION ITEMS

ESLINGER discussed MICKALYK'S DIE Board Presentation from the last meeting

MICKALYK had not heard of an automatic referral to DIE Board. As was discussed previously in committee meetings, the Bylaw Committee would hope by second reading the person being impeached would step down.

MICKALYK confirmed that DIE Board is able to look at grounds of Impeachment, and therefore, the bylaw committee can use DIE Board as a judicial board. DIE Board would have the final say and has the power to look at whether or not there were grounds for impeachment.

WOODS: Do we include DIE Board in the legislation? Is it necessary to mention that the accused has the right to a hearing with DIE Board, or is that common sense?

JOHNSON, ESLINGER and KARUVELIL agree it is best to state that the person being impeached has the right to appeal to DIE Board in the Bylaw. Having this in writing covers the base of the person being impeached saying "I did not know there was somebody to appeal to."

After the second reading is complete, the accused has a right to appeal with the DIE Board.

If DIE Board ruled opposite of a Council decision, the Council decision would be reversed.

Discussion of when the person would actually be Impeached.

Members of the Board of Governors are not employees, and therefore, they are part of the Council and the Impeachment Bylaw applies to them as well as the Executive.

WOODS will look into the processes of removing Employed members of the Student Union.

Discussed the opening paragraph of the Impeachment Document

Broad versus Narrow Legislation discussed.

Pros and cons of an exhaustive list of grounds for impeachment discussed.

General wording of the opening paragraph discussed.

The procedure for impeachment will be discussed after the first reading of

the Impeachment Document.

Brief discussion of some questions that may be brought up by Council in the first reading that the Bylaw Committee may not have discussed earlier.

Reiteration that a 2/3 majority of council members present with quorum is necessary to pass something.

Timeline for trying to pass the bylaw discussed.

SUMAR: At the next council meeting somebody has to suspend standing orders in order to be able to make a motion and pass it in the same council meeting.

SUMAR moves to send this finalized impeachment document to council for first reading.

Seconded by JOHNSON Vote on motion 6/0/1 CARRIED

SUMAR moves to direct the chair to create a presentation for the next council meeting on August 16.
Seconded by ESLINGER
Vote on motion 6/0/1
CARRIED

Discussion: Process of Passing Bylaws and Policies

WOODS discussed the idea of adding a third reading to the process.

After discussion of the pros and cons of adding a third reading, the committee disagreed with the addition of one.

9. REPORTS

10. CLOSED SESSION

11. NEXT MEETING August 24, 2011 6:00 PM

SUMAR moves to schedule the next meeting on August 24, 2011 at 6:00 PM Seconded by JOHNSON. Vote on motion 6/0/1 CARRIED **12. ADJOURNMENT** *SUMAR* moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by *KARUVELIL*.

Vote on Motion 6/0/1 CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 6:59PM.