

# **Proposal to changes in Oslo Local Laws**



**General Assembly  
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## §5 LLM Linjeledermøte / Association Manager meeting

### **Proposed by**

Marita Isabel Sandnes, HR Teamleader Oslo

### **Paragraph**

§5

### **Original text**

§5.3.6 Motions to bench LLM is a closed meeting, and there is no provision for candidacy without having notified HR at least twenty-four -24- hours prior to LLM.

### **Type of change**

Change to the paragraph

### **What changes should be made in the paragraph text?**

§5.3.6 Motions to bench LLM is a closed meeting. There is no provision for candidacy, if the position has not been listed at Biso.no. The exception is, if you already had the position the previous year, and would like to bench the same position. In that case you have to notify HR at least twenty-four -24- hours prior to LLM.

### **Background**

In order for this to be a fair process, I believe that students who have not taken the effort to apply for the position and gone through a regular recruitment process should not be allowed to bench for the position either. Therefore, I propose this change so that those who have participated in the recruitment process will be the ones eligible to run/bench on LLM.

## §4 – General Assembly

### **Proposed by**

Tanweer Akram, HR & Accounting Manager

### **Paragraph**

§4

### **Original text**

No original text as this is an addition.

### **Type of change**

Addition to the paragraph

### **What text should be added to the paragraph?**

§4.3.8 Detailed budget All budget proposals to be voted on by the General Assembly need to list how much money is allocated to each BISO unit and for Operations and Management. The following details need to be specified in the budget proposal: Month, department name, activity, amount, account and comment; for each income and cost. It is possible to add more details than these. There are three allowed exceptions for this level of detail: 1) Projects can have one line with their allocated budget frame in the budget proposal. The reason is that the detailed budget within this frame is made after the project board has been set and in most cases needs to be approved by BISO's Board of Trustees. 2) The units who for some reason are not able to send a specified budget before their deadline. In that case, the Management may add one line with their budget frame and approve their detailed budget later. 3) The Management may set aside budget frames for new units that they might create in the upcoming year.

### **Background**

An overall budget has been presented in the past when budget proposals have been shared with the general assembly (GA), i.e. that Campus Oslo will spend 2.5 MNOK on travel costs and 2.1 MNOK on social event costs. There have been no details shared about which unit is allocated how much money and how the management has set this number. This creates dissatisfaction once the units start talking among themselves and some feel that the money have been allocated unfairly between them. I am sending this proposal to ensure more transparency to the students about how their money will be spent and give them a reasonable chance of proposing changes to the budget if they disagree with the proposed budget. The GA has the final say in how the money should be allocated between the different units and activities, but it is very hard to propose changes when you don't have access to the detailed budget. Hopefully this transparency creates more acceptance towards the final budget which is approved on the GA.

## §4- General Assembly

### **Proposed by**

Tanweer Akram, HR & Accounting Manager

### **Paragraph**

§4

### **Original text**

No original text as this is an addition.

### **Type of change**

Addition to the paragraph

### **What text should be added to the paragraph?**

§4.3.9 Election of delegates Delegates to the National Meeting are elected according to the BISO's statutes §4.3. As the Campus Management have 4 fixed delegate seats, BISO members who are not a part of the Campus Management are given preference when the General Assembly elects the remaining delegates from Oslo. If the first round of elections ends without filling all the delegate seats, the Campus Management may sign up as candidates for the remaining delegate seats in the next round of elections.

### **Background**

This proposal is meant to encourage more students to be engaged at the highest level in BISO: the National Meeting. This will not decrease the Campus Management's chance to be heard as they can use their travel budget to send the rest of the Management to the National Meeting with speaking and proposal rights. The voting rights, however, should be distributed among all parts of the organisation, so that the National Meeting is representative of the diverse and dynamic organisation that BISO is.

## §4- General Assembly

### Proposed by

Marie Haga Eriksen, President

### Paragraph

§4

### Original text

§4.2 Composition

The General Assembly consists of managers from the academic associations, societies, projects and staff functions represented at BISO Oslo at all times. Newly established societies, projects and staff functions will first gain voting rights after twelve -12- months. Newly founded academic associations will be allowed voting rights six -6- months after they were founded.

Each body will have voting rights based on the following conditions:

Societies = one -1- vote

Projects = one -1- vote

Staff functions = one -1- vote

Academic associations:

0-299 students = three -3- votes

300-599 students = four -4- votes

600-899 students = five -5- votes

900-1199 students = six -6- votes

1200-1499 students = seven -7- votes

1500-1799 students = eight -8- votes

1800 -> students = nine -9- votes

A single person can hold no more than three -3- votes, so most academic associations must send several representatives. These representatives need to be elected according to a democratic process within the association's board. If a member for the board of the association wants voting rights at the General Assembly, the member has the opportunity if a representative from the academic association holds more than one vote. If the academic association has more than one representative, the votes shall be distributed as equally as possible to the representatives. The Manager of the Academic Association is responsible to hand over a list of representatives, and the distribution of votes to the Head of Academic Associations within three -3- days of the General Assembly.

## **Type of change**

Change to the paragraph

## **What changes should be made in the paragraph text?**

### §4.2 Composition

Each unit will have one -1- mandated vote. This vote is preferably held by the Manager of the unit, but if the Manager is unable to attend, they may send a deputy from their board to vote on their behalf. This unit vote is in addition to the individual vote that all BISO members are entitled to.

## **Background**

This proposal aims to adapt to the Statutes §5 General Assembly, specifically §5.3 Composition, which grants all paying BISO members voting rights at the General Assembly. We believe that, in addition to this, actively engaged BISO members in units should have a stronger voice in shaping the Local Laws they operate under. Therefore, we propose a system of weighted voting. This proposal is based on feedback from our previous weighting system and aims to equalize the influence of our units.