



V - Extraordinary Meetings and Referenda

	Committee	Council	Version
Approval	October 19 th 2023	October 30 th 2023	3.0.0
Last Modified	October 19 th 2023	October 30 th 2023	3.0.0
Last Reviewed	October 19 th 2023	October 30 th 2023	3.0.0
Responsible Body	Designated Execs & Volunteers		
Governance Committee	EUS President		

V - Extraordinary Meetings and Referenda

1. EUS Meetings

1.1 Annual General Meetings

Annual General Meetings shall:

1. Be held at least once each year, during E-WEEK.
2. Have quorum of one-twentieth of the active members.
3. Be able to pass Constitutional changes if quorum is met.
 1. Written notification of the amendment is posted at least 10 teaching days prior to the referendum
4. Be open to all members of the Society, who are encouraged to attend.
5. Be attended by all of the Executive Officers.

1.2 Special General Meetings

Special General Meetings are to be called by the EUS President:

1. At the request of Council
2. Not less than three days, and no more than fifteen days, after the receipt of a petition signed by 20% or more of the Membership.

Special General Meetings shall:

1. Have quorum of one-twentieth of the active members.
2. Pass Constitutional Changes if quorum has been met.
3. Open to all members of the Society, who are encouraged to attend
4. Be attended by all of the Executive Officers

1.3 Annual Council Transition Meeting

The Annual Council Transition Meeting shall:

1. Be held once a year following the completed elections of all members of the Executive and Board.
2. Be open to general Members by invitation only.
3. Have quorum of three-quarters of the voting members of Council.

The Annual Council Transition Meeting Meeting shall be used to:

1. Familiarize the attending individuals with each other.

2. Familiarize members with the procedures of Council and to pass along any relevant items or information.
3. Set an overarching goal for the Society for the upcoming year.
4. Provide final update on goals of the Executive Officers.

The Annual Council Transition Meeting shall be attended by:

1. The incoming Council.
2. The outgoing Council.

1.4 Grand Council

Grand Council Meetings shall:

1. Be held at least once each winter academic term.
2. Be held for the purpose of general consultation and steering of the Society on any advocacy efforts planning in preparation for the following BASC Student Advisory Council Meeting.
3. Be open to all Members

1.4.1 Composition

Grand Council Meetings shall be attended by:

1. The EUS President and VP Academic
2. The President and VP Academic of each Program Club, or proxies from their department council

The invitees to this committee shall be:

1. The Applied Science Student Senator
2. All EUS Executive Officers

1.5 BASC Student Advisory Council

BASC Student Advisory Council Meetings are convened by the EUS in collaboration with the Faculty of Applied Science once per winter academic term.

1.5.1 Composition

The EUS delegation to the BASC Student Advisory Council Meetings shall be:

1. The EUS President and VP Academic
2. The President and VP Academic of each Program Club, or proxies from their department council

The invitees to the EUS Delegation shall be:

1. The Applied Science Student Senator

2. All EUS Executive Officers

2. Referenda

2.1 Description

This policy shall govern all EUS referenda.

2.2 Procedure

1. A referendum or referenda may be called by the President by:
 1. A resolution of the Council or;
 2. A written petition containing the names, student numbers and signatures of at least five percent (5%) of the Membership.
2. The text of the referendum or referenda shall be written in such a way that it must be unbiased and answerable unequivocally as yes or no. Such text shall be subject to approval or amendment by Council, but such amendments must remain within the spirit of the original question.
3. The Council has the power to remove referendum questions if they go against UBC's Non-Academic Misconduct Policy with a two-thirds (2/3) and must publicize this decision and the reasoning behind it.
4. The Council must approve referendum questions at least three weeks prior to voting opening. Voting shall open no more than two months after approval by the Council.
5. It is recommended that referenda occur during EUS General Elections.

2.3 Voting

1. A referendum or referenda shall only be held during the academic year inclusive with the exception of over holidays, reading week and examination periods.
2. The voting period for the referendum will be no less than 3 days.
3. Referenda shall be carried out using the same online voting system as the EUS General Elections.
4. Unofficial results will be made public within 24 hours of the closing of the ballot.
5. The Board shall approve all referendum results.

3.4 Results

A referendum or referenda shall be acted upon by the Council where:

1. A majority of the votes cast support the referendum or referenda and;
2. The number of votes cast is equal or greater to ten percent (10%) of the Membership.