

Proposed Bylaw Amendments

Thursday, April 7th, 2022 - AGM



General Bylaw #1

Section 1

- 1.01 Definitions
 - (l) “Fulcrum” means the University of Ottawa’s English-language **News Outlet** newspaper, which is published and owned by the Corporation.

Section 2

- 2.05 Voting Shares and Securities in other Companies.
 - ...or companies and in such manner and by such **person(s)** ~~or persons~~ as the Board shall from time to time determine.

Section 5

- 5.01 Place and Time of Meetings.
 - The Annual Meeting of ~~M~~members...
- 5.02 Annual Meeting of **Members**.
 - At every Annual Meeting of ~~M~~members...
- 5.05 Chief Returning Officer.
 - ...to the date of the Annual Meeting of **Members**. The President's choice must be ratified by the Board and by the membership at the **Annual Meeting of Members**
- 5.09 Proxies. The following rules shall govern proxies at meetings of members:
 - (a) Voting members of the Corporation shall be allowed to proxy their vote to other voting members by notifying the **Chief of Staff** ~~meeting's Chair~~.

Section 6

- 6.02 Qualification.
 - Every director shall be eighteen (18) or more years of age and no director shall have an undischarged bankruptcy or be **deemed incapable of managing property as determined by a medical professional pursuant to the Ontario Mental Health Act.** ~~a mentally incompetent person as determined by a medical professional...~~
- 6.03 Election and Term of Office.
 - ...for the upcoming publishing year. ~~The election shall be determined in accordance with Section 6 of this Bylaw.~~
- 6.04 Vacancy
 - ...shall be filled at the next **Annual Meeting** of **Members**.
- 6.05 Vacation of Office of Director.
 - (b) If they are found to be incapable of managing property ~~mentally incompetent~~ as determined by a medical professional;

Section 7

- 7.01 Quorum
 - ...be less than fifty (50) percent plus one (1) of the sitting Board...
- 7.08 Majority Votes
 - Unless otherwise stated in the Bylaws...
- 7.11 Special Meetings
 - ...at least two (2) members of the Board...

Section 8

- 8.06 Chief of Staff.
 - ...shall act as ~~S~~Secretary of all...
- 8.10 Treasurer
 - The ~~T~~reasurer is...
 - ...the Executive Director-, and make an independent presentation of the Corporation's ~~Fulerum's~~ financial position quarterly.

Section 10

- 10.01 Appointment of Auditor
 - ...every three (3) years. The membership shall, by a majority vote, decide on one of the three (3) auditors...

Section 11

- 11.02 Signature to Notices
 - The signature to any notices or demand may be written, stamped, typewritten or printed. ~~or partly written, stamped, typewritten or printed.~~
- 11.04 Proof of Service
 - ...the President, ~~a~~ Vice President, ~~the~~ Chief of Staff or...
- 11.06 Primary Method of Giving Notice
 - ...two (2) weeks online directly preceding ~~proceeding~~ the ~~date or date(s)~~...
 - ...in **any method that the Board deems appropriate.** ~~other University of Ottawa publications, posters placed on the University of Ottawa campus, or any other method that the Board deems appropriate.~~

General Bylaw #2

Section 1

- 1.01 Rights and Powers.
 - ...so pursuant to Section 1.01 (h) of Bylaw 1 One...
- 1.02 Mandates.
 - ...constituted meeting of the Board-,...

Section 2

- 2.01 Powers of the Board
 - ...the Board **with** ~~in~~ respect to management and direction of the affairs of the Corporation, except such acts **which** ~~as~~...

Section 4

- 4.03 Staff Representatives

- Two (2) seats must be filled by non-paid staff members of the Fulcrum. A staff member is defined in ~~Section four three (43)~~ **Section four three (43)** of the Constitution. This staff member must be a ~~contributor to the newspaper~~ **abstain from contributing to the Fulcrum** for the duration of their term.

- 4.04 Fulcrum Alumnus

- ...paid staff member of the ~~Corporation Fulcrum~~ **Corporation Fulcrum** and who...

- 4.06 Community Representative

- ~~One (1)~~ **Three (3)** seats will be filled by ~~a members~~ **members** of the Ottawa community at large and who ~~has~~ **have** professional experience. Professional experience is defined as experience in business, marketing, law, public relations, or publishing.

- 4.08 Ex-Officio Seats

- The ratified Editor-in-Chief and one Editorial Board member ~~selected by the contributing staff (see section three (3) of the Constitution)~~ hold ex-officio seats on the Board as defined by Section 4.07 of this Bylaw. ~~The University of Ottawa Students' Union (UOSU) and the Graduate Students Association (GSAED) also hold ex-officio seats on the Board.~~ At any time the Board may deem it necessary to create new ex-officio positions.

Section 5

- 5.01 Responsibilities
 - (g) ...by two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote...
- 5.05 Powers
 - ...editorial content in the news ~~newspaper~~ **outlet**.

Section 6

- Added section title to section 6.01
 - 6.01 **Responsibilities**. There shall be an Editor-in-Chief who shall be responsible for the editorial operations.

Section 7

- 7.01 Ratification
 - ...a simple majority vote at the **next** ~~first~~ meeting of the publishing year.

Section 8

- 8.03 Exceptions

- (i) ...the Board requires two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) majority vote. If any editor refuses to comply, the Board may dismiss said editor by two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) majority vote...

Section 11

- 11.04 Board Duty to Investigate
 - (c) According to any regulations agreed upon by two-thirds (~~2/3~~^{2/3}) majority vote of both the staff and the Board. Upon initiation of an investigation the Board shall call upon the Investigation Committee.
 - (d) If the Board receives an official complaint from any staff member of the Corporation that two-thirds (~~2/3~~^{2/3}) majority feel requires investigation.

Section 12

- 12.04 Amendments to the Bylaws
 - ...approval of two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of voting members...