

**Imperial College Union  
Board of Trustees / 19 July 2023**

**Bye-Laws Update**

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Purpose: To approve amendments to the Bye-Laws

**1. Context**

- As a result of the changes to the Felix Editor selection process approved by Union Council on 9th May 2023, Bye-Law F (Officers of the Union) and Bye-Law I (Motion of Censure and No Confidence) are outdated.
- One of the recommendations from the CSP Culture Review is to create a Parents & Carers Network in addition to the existing Liberation and Community Networks.
- Clause 7 of Bye-Law B (Trustees) effectively prohibits a large segment of postgraduates and Business School students from becoming Student Trustees.
- Policies created by Constituent Unions affect a large number of students.
- Bye-Laws A, B, C, D, E, F, I, K, and L contain outdated references and inaccuracies.
- Scrutiny Committee has been disestablished by Union Council on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.

**2. Proposed changes to the Bye-Laws**

- Bye-Law F and Bye-Law I should be updated to reflect the changes made to the Felix Editor selection process by removing the Felix Editor from 'Officers of the Union; and from the Vote of No Confidence process.
- Bye-Law A should be updated to create a Parents & Carers Network.
- Postgraduates and Business School students should be able to become Student Trustees even if the period during which they are full students do not align with that of the usual undergraduate academic year. Therefore Bye-Law B has been updated to allow a student to be an appointed Student Trustee even if their academic terms do not align with that the calendar that the Union operates on, as long as they are a student for the majority of their tenure.
- It is important that any Policy affecting a large number of students should be made clear to the students and regularly reviewed, and thus should be kept centrally. Bye-Law D has been updated to include Constituent Union policies.
- Reference to Scrutiny Committee as been removed.
- Several outdated references have been removed or updated.

Link to proposed Bye-Laws: [Bye-Law Updates UC](#)