

## SUMMARY OF BYLAW CHANGES REFERENDUM 2017

- 1) **The Student Administrative Commission (SAC), which oversaw the clubs, is abolished.** Its responsibilities will be transferred to Council and the VP Administration. Council has already created an Operations Committee to help carry out the former SAC responsibilities.
- 2) **The General Manager position is renamed Managing Director,** and given responsibility for “operational aspects” of the AMS instead of “general business affairs.”
- 3) **AMS Council is reduced in size** by removing the two student members of the Board of Governors and the two student Senators. Also by increasing the threshold for giving additional representatives to the larger Constituencies: this will mean fewer seats for Arts, Science, Engineering, the Graduate Students, etc. But all current Constituencies will still have at least one representative on Council, and the larger Constituencies will still have more than one (Arts will have 5 instead of 9, for instance; Engineering will have 2 instead of 4).
- 4) **New Constituencies will not automatically be created when there is a new School of Faculty.** They will only be created if their enrolment exceeds 1% of the total UBC Vancouver enrolment or if Council so decides.
- 5) **Council will be empowered to create an investment policy and not be restricted to bonds and other low-return investments.**
- 6) **The VP Administration will be made responsible for AMS capital projects and for liaising with Clubs and Constituencies.**
- 7) **The VP External and the President are added as signing officers,** in addition to the other members of the Executive.
- 8) **The AMS budget will now be due every June 30 instead of May 1** to accord with the recent shift in the date that the AMS Executives, especially the VP Finance, take office (it used to be in February; now it is May 1.)
- 9) **The Budget Committee will be called a finance committee, and its composition shall be left to Council to determine.**