

SUBJECT	Governance Committee: Motions and Electronics In Camera Code Change Rationale
MEETING DATE	30/10/2023
SUBMISSION TYPE	MOTION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATION <input type="checkbox"/>
MOTION OR SUMMARY	BE IT RESOLVED THAT Governance Committee approves the Motions and Electronics Code Changes
MOVE + SECOND	MOVED: Aki Kamoshida SECONDED: Kareem Hassib
SUBMITTED BY	Ayesha Irfan , Governance Committee Chair
RELEVANT COMMITTEE or EXECUTIVE	COMMITTEE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXECUTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> Governance Committee <input type="text" value="Select"/>
SUPPORTED BY	Governance Committee (Unanimous)
COMMITTEE VOTE RESULT	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNANIMOUS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT APPLICABLE <input type="checkbox"/>
ATTACHMENTS	1. Attachment Please refer to AMS council agenda for the code change in its entirety.

**DESCRIPTION &
RATIONALE**

The first part of this code change codifies a practice that the speaker has been ensuring we do during our in-camera session, which is to turn off all devices to ensure no written pieces of the conversation are recorded to maintain society's confidentiality.

The second part of this code change is to allow individuals with paid positions excluding councilors such as the Speaker of Council, Ombudsperson, and Electons Administrator, (the full list is on the code change), to be appointed in camera. This is to ensure as a society we are protecting the confidential information of the individuals who are appointed and hired into these positions. It is also to follow best governance practices as most boards such as the Board of Governors, make these appointments in camera as well to ensure confidential information about

BENEFITS
Reputational,
Financial,
Sustainable, Social

The first part of this code change includes strengthening in camera confidentiality in turn the benefits are creating an environment protecting the society from liability and possible reputational damages. The second part of this code change ensures that candidates who put themselves forward to work in the society can trust that their confidential information will be protected throughout the hiring/appointment process. Making the appoint in camera will guarantee that this information will be treated as confidential and will be protected.

RISKS
Financial,
Operational,
Reputational

The risks associated with this code change not being passed is the possibility of in-camera discussions being leaked through technology as a means of communication. The other is confidential information of candidates who apply to work at the society being recorded or minuted if public appointments remain.

COSTS
Financial,
Resources, Lifecycle

No costs are associated with this code change

TIMELINE
Implementation
Timeline

The code changes will take effect immediately upon being passed by council.

CONSULTATION
Internal & External
Groups

This code change was made in consultation with members of the Governnace Committee, The President, and the Governnace and Strategy Lead.