

## **Motion to update Chapter sixteen: SSC Design Team**

### **The SSC note:**

1. The current SSC Design Team constitution, as written in chapter sixteen of the Laws, is outdated and does not match current practice.
2. The aforementioned document does not include the remits of committee positions.

### **The SSC believes:**

1. The SSC Design Team would benefit from the removal of the following positions: Web Coordinator (refer to 2.1.6. Appendix A.) and Special Projects Coordinator (refer to 2.1.7. Appendix A.).
2. The SSC Design Team would benefit from the addition of the following roles: Ordinary Members (designers) (x3) (refer to 3.3 Appendix B), Ordinary Members (photographers) (x3) (refer to 3.10 Appendix B), and Training Officer (refer to 3.7 Appendix B).
3. The SSC Design Team committee would be more efficient and functional were the remits of the removed positions incorporated into those of the Vice President, Ordinary Members (designers), and Marketing Officer (refer to 3.3.2 & 3.3 & 3.6 Appendix B).
4. The removal of Section 8 (refer to Appendix A) and the incorporation of responsibilities with regards to Alumni into the remit of the Secretary (refer to 3.4.3. Appendix B) would be the most sensible reorganisation of Section 8.

### **The SSC resolves:**

1. To update Chapter sixteen of the Laws
2. To remove the current SSC Design Team constitution (Appendix A) and replace it with Appendix B.

### **Proposer:**

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### **Seconders:**

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## **Appendix:**

A – Excerpt from current Laws

B – Proposed updated Laws

### **Appendix A: Excerpt from current Laws**

Chapter Sixteen: SSC Design Team

1.Aims

1.1.The SSC Design Team aims to provide the opportunity for students with an enthusiasm for design to learn graphic design skills, and to participate in design-related activity and workshops.

1.2.To offer design and promotional services, wherever needed, to the Association and its affiliated societies.

2.Committee

2.1.Design Team Membership: The Design Team Committee shall have the following members:

2.1.1.SSC Design Convenor (Convenor and Chair)

2.1.2.Vice-President

2.1.3.Secretary

2.1.4.Treasurer

2.1.5.Marketing Officer

2.1.6.Web Coordinator

2.1.7.Special Projects Coordinator

2.1.8.Social Coordinator

2.1.9.Photography Officer

2.1.10.Director of Events and Services

3.Meetings

3.1.The committee shall meet fortnightly throughout the year, and at other times as necessary.

3.2.The SSC Design Convenor will take the chair.

3.3. In the absence of the SSC Design Convener, the Vice-President will chair.

#### 3.4. Quorum

3.4.1. The quorum shall be three-fifths of the voting membership of the committee.

#### 3.5. Notice

3.5.1. All members of the Committee must be given at least 24 hours' notice of any committee meeting.

### 4. Annual General Meeting

#### 4.1. Procedure

4.2. The AGM shall be held during Semester Two and shall:

4.2.1.1. Require 14 days' notice.

4.2.1.2. Be publicised widely in such places and by such methods as the committee shall determine from time to time.

4.2.1.3. Shall elect all Design Team Committee positions except for the SSC Design Convener

4.2.1.4. Be open to all matriculated students of the University of St Andrews, except those who have exercised their right to opt out of the Students' Association under the provisions of the Education Act 1994.

#### 4.3. Business

4.3.1. The order of business shall be:

4.3.1.1. Report of the SSC Design Convener

4.3.1.2. Report of the Vice-President

4.3.1.3. Report of the Marketing Officer

4.3.1.4. Elections

4.3.1.5. AOCB.

#### 4.4. Elections

4.4.1. Elections shall be conducted by a secret ballot using the STV system

4.4.2. No person shall hold more than one position on the Committee at any one time

### 5. Interviewed positions

5.1. The SSC Design Convenor will be appointed by the SSC Convenor Selection Committee as described in Chapter Three of the Laws.

## 6. Committee Vacancies

6.1. Committee posts that shall, from time to time, fall vacant for whatever reason shall be filled by an EGM

## 7. Committee Decisions

7.1. Should a consensus be unobtainable at a Committee meeting, a vote should be taken. Those members of the Design Team Committee shall be eligible to vote and in the event of a tie, the casting vote will be held by the Chair of the meeting.

## 8. Admin

8.1. The Design Team will keep an alumni data base where the contact information for previous members of the committee who have graduated stored. This contact information will be utilized in a bi-annual newsletter directed at the alumni in order for them to see how the Design Team has progressed and what we have accomplished through projects and workshops over the course of the term. This data base will also be open to the current committee members to utilize for potential networking opportunities for internships or job openings in the areas of design and marketing.

## **Appendix B: Proposed updated Laws**

### Chapter Sixteen: SSC Design Team

#### 1. Aims

- 1.1. The SSC Design Team aims to encourage and promote the interest in publication and graphic design through the provision of services, resources, expertise, and support, both among the student body and the community of St Andrews.
- 1.2. To provide the opportunity for students to collaborate with like-minded peers, and to participate in design-related projects.
- 1.3. To offer design and promotional services to the Association and its affiliated societies.
- 1.4. To provide training in digital design.

#### 2. Committee

2.1.Design Team Membership: The Design Team Committee shall have the following members:

2.1.1.SSC Design Convenor (Convenor and Chair)

2.1.2.Vice-President

2.1.2.1 Ordinary Member (designers) (x3)

2.1.3.Secretary

2.1.4.Treasurer

2.1.5.Marketing Officer

2.1.6. Training Officer

2.1.7. Social Coordinator

2.1.8.Photography Officer

2.1.8.1. Ordinary Member (photographer) (x3)

2.1.9.Director of Events and Services

2.2. All committee members shall write, and submit to the Convenor, handover documents for their successors no later than one week before the AGM.

### 3. Roles.

3.1.Convener shall:

3.1.1. Oversee all aspects of the Design Team, ensuring that the Design Team fulfils its responsibilities as set out in Chapter ? Of the University of St Andrews Students' Association constitution.

3.1.2. Chair committee meetings.

3.1.3. Liaise between heads of societies and subcommittees, university staff, and volunteers.

3.1.4. Maintain all notice boards in the Design Suite

3.1.5. Organize an annual End-of-year Showcase, possibly as part of the On The Rocks Festival, in collaboration with the Convenor-elect

3.2 Vice President shall:

3.2.1.Assist the Convenor wherever possible and represent the Design Team when the Convenor is unable to.

3.2.2. Directly manage the ordinary members (designers)

3.2.3. Oversee Trello activity

3.2.4. Be the main point of contact for volunteers

3.3 Ordinary Members (designers) (x3) shall:

3.3.1.Take on a minimum number of design projects

3.3.2.Help recruit and mentor new design volunteers

3.4 Secretary shall:

3.4.1.Take minutes of every committee meeting, update a document that is to be shared regularly with the DoES and reception staff.

3.4.2. Maintain a mailing list for current members and send out weekly email updates.

3.4.3. Maintain a mailing list for alumni and send out newsletters at least once a semester

3.4.4. Assist with other administrative duties as they arise.

3.5 Treasurer shall:

3.5.1. Maintain a log of all financial transactions.

3.5.2. Take responsibility for obtaining cash floats from the Cash Office as needed.

3.5.3. Keep the cash box and keys.

3.5.4. Actively try and secure sponsorship deals/grants and suggest ways by which the Design Team can raise money for the purpose of providing improved or continued services and resources to students and societies.

3.6 Marketing Officer shall:

3.6.1. Develop and manage the Design Team brand in collaboration with the Convener.

3.6.2. Design, create, and distribute publicity for all Design Team events and services.

3.6.3. Manage all social media accounts.

3.6.4. Update events calendar on the YourUnion website

3.6.5. Maintain the Design Team website, updating the calendar, committee profiles, Union links, and other content as necessary.

3.7 Training Officer shall:

3.7.1. Be responsible for the upkeep of all computers and subscriptions.

3.7.2. Run weekly Adobe Skills Workshops with assistance from committee members who have specific expertise

3.8 Social Coordinator shall:

3.8.1 Organize committee socials, volunteer socials, and creative workshops

3.9 Photography Officer shall:

3.9.1 Organize and run photography skills workshops

3.9.2 Directly manage the ordinary members (photographers)

3.10 Ordinary Members (photographers) (x3) shall:

3.10.1. Take on a minimum number of photography jobs

3.10.2. Help recruit and mentor new photography volunteers

#### 4. Meetings

4.1. The committee shall meet weekly throughout the year, or as the convener sees fit.

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## 7. Committee Vacancies

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