



University of St Andrews Students' Association Student Services Council

AGENDA

Tuesday 27 October 2015 - Committee Room - 6.00 pm

- 1. Adoption of the Agenda**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
- 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
- 5. Open Forum**
- 6. Reports of Sabbatical Officers**
 - 6.1. Report of the Association Director of Events & Services
 - 6.2. Report of the Association Director of Representation
 - 6.3. Report of the Association Director of Student Development & Activities
 - 6.4. Report of the Association President
- 7. Reports of Officers**
 - 7.1. Report of the Association Community Relations Officer
 - 7.2. Report of the Association Environment & Ethics Officer
 - 7.3. Report of the Association LGBT Officer
 - 7.4. Report of the Association Postgraduate President
 - 7.5. Report of the Athletic Union President
 - 7.6. Report of the SSC Broadcasting Officer
 - 7.7. Report of the SSC Charities Officer
 - 7.8. Report of the SSC Charitable Development Convenor
 - 7.9. Report of the SSC Entertainments Convenor
 - 7.10. Report of the SSC Debates Officer
 - 7.11. Report of the SSC Design & PR Team Convenor
 - 7.12. Report of the SSC Film Production Officer
 - 7.13. Report of the SSC Member for without Portfolio
 - 7.14. Report of the SSC Music Officer
 - 7.15. Report of the SSC Performing Arts Officer
 - 7.16. Report of the SSC Societies Officer
 - 7.17. Report of the SSC Member for Societies Elections
 - 7.18. Report of the SSC Member for Societies Grants
 - 7.19. Report of the SSC Volunteering Officer
 - 7.20. Any Other Competent Reports
- 8. Unfinished General Business**

9. New General Business

- 9.1. J.15-24-A Motion to Devolve Affiliation Discretion to the Societies Committee
- 9.2. J.15-23- A Motion to Promote The Postgraduate Officer on the SSC Charities Campaign to an Executive Committee Position and Rename the position to Postgraduate Coordinator

10. Any Other Competent Business

SSC REPORTS

Association Alumni Officer-Charlotte Andrew

-NO REPORT SUBMITTED-

Association Community Relations Officer- Clare Armstrong

We are really dealing with three key issues this week:

1. Raisin aftermath – we are liaising with the community council and local businesses to get feedback on their experience of Raisin (we are particularly concerned by comments that local business' taking fall significantly on Raisin Sunday), and will shortly after be arranging meetings with Student Services and Discipline to see what we can do to alleviate the causes of these concerns in the future. We would like to remind anyone who receives complaints (from locals or students) about Raisin to put them in contact with us at comrels@st-andrews.ac.uk
2. We are working with the Re-Use Recycle Society, the Environment Team and E&E to put together a student survey on recycling habits for the end of November/beginning of December.
3. We have temporarily put our cycle safety publicity on hold until we can find a reliable source of bike lights for the Union shop, but we are hoping this will be resolved soon.

Association Environment and Ethics Officer- Alice Pickthall

Things have calmed down since Green Week, and now E and E subcommittee is looking to concentrate on the more representative side of our role. We will be looking at proposing an environmental policy and strategy for the Association – if you have any input at this stage please get in contact.

This week has been lots of meetings. The first was with Luca from the Binn Group, who manage the food waste recycling for all university sites. At present the Union building does not (officially) recycle food waste, however new legislation will be coming into effect from January, which will require the building to recycle food waste. Details of how the Binn group recycle our food waste (its really interesting) will be posted on the E and E Facebook group when available. I also met with George King, the Sustainability Intern in Estates Environment Team, about plans for next semester including Fairtrade fortnight and the Fairtrade Steering Group. We hosted one of our monthly drop-in sessions for the Hall Environment Reps, with excellent feedback of activities from the Albany rep.

Association LGBT Officer-Sigrid Jorgensen

-NO REPORT SUBMITTED-

SSC Broadcasting Officer- Bruce Kerr

-NO REPORT SUBMITTED-

SSC Charities Officer-Amy Christison

-NO REPORT SUBMITTED-

SSC Debates Officer- Alyssa Muzyk

The last two weeks have been quite busy for us - we've sent teams to both the Strathclyde Cup and Bogwall, both of which have been excellent experiences for our competitive debaters. We have also been continually attending our various schools and our new Schools Mentoring Programme is going very well.

Our public debates have been successful, with our recent debate on Russia forcing LPH to hit capacity within 10 minutes of the door opening. This was followed by the final of our internal novice competition, and next week we will be hosting a Halloween Comedy debate with Blind Mirth which is sure to be a lot of fun.

We have also unrolled our Alumni Careers Network this week and we are excited to get more responses coming in from our alumni. Furthermore, planning is now well underway for our London Alumni event, and we are looking forward to connecting with our alumni in March.

SSC Design Team Convener- Karla McDougall

I am pleased to say that the Design Team have had another great week. We have welcomed a new Secretary, Kirsten Ross, who we look forward to having onboard. We've also received a great deal more design requests, which promise to provide the opportunity for more students to take on design projects and grow their portfolio. We are currently preparing for a Pinhole Camera Creative Workshop, which we'll be holding in two week's time which is sure to be a popular event.

SSC Entertainments Convener- Lavin Tian

- Hot Dub Time Machine went well, both the artist and audience seemed to enjoy the event
- Halloween event is coming -we are very excited about it
- Our new sound desk has arrived been installed
- We have a lighting workshop over the weekend, designed for different levels of experience, and we are planning on drop in sessions for tech
- We now have three DJ drop in sessions every week, please get in touch if members of your committee would like to be a DJ or involve in tech

SSC External Funding Officer-Tierney Riordan

-NO REPORT SUBMITTED-

SSC Music Officer-Ipek Ozsoy

-NO REPORT SUBMITTED-

SSC Member without Portfolio- Annabel Romanos

-NO REPORT SUBMITTED-

SSC Performing Arts Officer- Joanna Bowman

We have spent much of the last two weeks planning the Freshers' Drama Festival, and we are pleased to say that our affiliated societies will be getting involved in the week. We have also launched the proposal deadlines for Semester Two (Nov 11th and 23rd). We will be formally launching the Shakespeare Festival in the coming weeks – I have been writing to various people and groups to try and make the week as broad as possible. Plays are all going well: we have sold out several performances, so we are in a strong financial position. We are continuing to run a wide and varied programme of workshops. Remember Christmas Ball ticket sales are on the 4th November. Get queuing!

SSC Postgraduate Officer-Aline Heyerick

The Postgraduate Society hosted an official screening of the first PhD Movie and are trying to find funding to show the PhD Movie 2. On Friday (October 16) the society hosted its annual Postgraduate Gala, which was well received by the attendants. Tickets for our newest bus trip

to Braemar sold out within the hour, so we are looking into organising extra bus trips, and increasing the capacity of current trips.

The organisation of the November Graduation Ball is advancing nicely. Decorations and promotional materials are being finalised so emails can get sent out to graduating students by early November. We are organising a PG Social in collaboration with LGBT to increase postgraduate interaction with LGBT. Our November 5 bonfire will be organised in collaboration with Mature Students.

The Postgraduate Committee co-opted a Secretary and Events Convener on October 14 and is now fully staffed again.

SSC Societies Officer-Robert Dixon

-NO REPORT SUBMITTED-

SSC Volunteering Officer-Julian Valladares Urruela

-NO REPORT SUBMITTED-

J.15-24

A Motion to Devolve Affiliation Discretion to the Societies Committee

This SSC and SRC note:

- The Laws of Association restrict the SSC Societies Committee's discretion over which organisations may be affiliated to the Association as Societies.

This SSC and SRC believe:

- The Societies Committee's remit includes the determination of the Association's Policy with respect to affiliated Societies, which it is unable to effectively undertake without discretion over what organisations may be affiliated.
- Some of the restrictions introduced on the basis of OSCR regulations are more restrictive than the regulations actually require.
- A Societies Committee elected with a mandate of changing affiliation regulations should have the ability to affect such a mandate.

This SSC and SRC resolve:

- To strike from chapter 9 of the Laws of the Association §2.2, §2.3, and §2.4
- To insert into chapter 9 a new §2.5.4 with the text "Any other conditions that the SSC Societies Committee may adopt".

Proposed on the Recommendation of the SSC Societies Committee



**UNIVERSITY OF ST ANDREWS STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
SSC SOCIETIES COMMITTEE**

12 OCTOBER 2015

MEMORANDUM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Students currently attempting to form a new society are subject to constraint by undue oversight barriers whose actual effect diverges from their theoretical purpose – that being to comply with the regulations of the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator which demand the Association not inefficiently allocate funding (such as to duplicate societies).

PROBLEM: the affiliation of a new society requires that the Societies Committee certify that the proposed society's stated aims will not clash with those of any existing society. But this review metric is flawed because (A) the preponderance of proposed societies' aims are vague and aspirational, as students are focused on what they intend to do and not on language of governing documents they have yet to write; (B) existing societies' constitutional aims are often overarching and equally-vague because they are required (by the Association) to explicitly operate within them at all times, and are also difficult to change; and (C) there is no practical or effective existing mechanism by which students may proactively avoid a clash in society aims by reviewing, in advance, language in the constitutions of all 150 existing student societies. Societies' stated aims thus invariably fail to encompass the substance their actual activities.

The Societies Committee has therefore found itself in the untenable position of having to compare inaccurate measures of proposed societies against equally-inaccurate measures of existing societies when considering Affiliation Requests – prime conditions for the creation of bureaucratic malaise. To continue to bind the Societies Committee to this incompetent standard of review, by direct causal extension, renders its oversight of affiliating societies to be one less of substance than of the pretence thereof.

SOLUTION: in the section of the Laws of the Association containing the conditions for “new and continued affiliation” of societies (excerpted herein), insert language noting that affiliation shall be contingent in part upon compliance with policies articulated by the Societies Committee; and also eliminate the immediately-prior, superfluous sections for clarity (text of insert included in motion and herein). The Societies Committee may then consider Affiliation Requests in light of whether the new society would actually duplicate the conduct-in-practice of existing societies. In so doing, it shall be able to ensure that the Association continues to comply with OSCR regulations, and may do so in the manner it prefers – oversight whose tone is that of when a lawyer counsels a layman, and not as when a mother harangues her teenage child.

EXCERPT OF RELEVANT SECTION IN LAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION

{Chapter 9}

§2.2. A student society shall be affiliated to the Association on:

§2.2.1. The receipt of a copy of the Affiliation Agreement signed by an agent of the society;

§2.2.2. The satisfaction of the SSC Societies Committee that the society's constitution meets all requirements laid out in the Standing Orders for Affiliated Societies;

§2.2.3. The receipt of the names of not less than twenty-five matriculated students who are ordinary members of the society; and

§2.2.4. The satisfaction of the SSC Societies Committee that all terms of the Affiliation Agreement have been met; and

§2.2.5. The satisfaction of the SSC Societies Committee that the society's aims do not duplicate the aims of any other society.

§2.3. A student-run project without a defined membership shall be affiliated to the Association on:

§2.3.1. The receipt of a copy of the Affiliation Agreement signed by an agent of the organisation;

§2.3.2. The satisfaction of the SSC Societies Committee that the organisation's constitution meets all requirements laid out in the Standing Orders for Affiliated Societies;

§2.3.3. The satisfaction of the SSC Societies Committee that all terms of the Affiliation Agreement have been met; and

§2.3.4. The satisfaction of the SSC Societies Committee that the project's aims do not duplicate the aims of any other society or project.

§2.3.5. Clear demonstration by the project managers that the inclusion of a defined membership would be unworkable, or else detrimental to the stability of the project, as agreed by the Societies Committee.

§2.4. All subsequent references to societies shall include student-run projects, unless otherwise stated.

§2.5. The new or continued affiliation to the Association of a society shall be conditional upon:

§2.5.1. The adherence to the society's constitution and policies;

§2.5.2. The responsible management of the society and its accounts as recommended in the publications of the Societies Committee, in particular audits; and

§2.5.3 The adherence to the terms of the Affiliation Agreement.

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COMPLEX PROCESSES REFERENCED HEREIN

- LTP Request – *A Request for Leave to Proceed to Affiliation* is the product of the submission of a *New Society Request Form* to the Societies Committee’s Affiliations Officer, whereby students attempting to form a new society disclose the aims and activities of their proposed society. This effectively takes the form of a motion considered during a regular Societies Committee meetings which, if approved, permits the new society’s officers to proceed towards an Affiliation Request. Said motions are often preceded by discussion of whether the proposed society’s stated aims present a potential conflict with those of an existing society – as permitting a proposed society to proceed to the next phase of affiliation requires a substantial amount of additional work, which would *ipso facto* be onerous to require of the officers of a proposed society whose subsequent Affiliation Request is likely to be denied.
- Affiliation Request – *A Request to Become an Affiliated Society* is the product of when a proposed society’s officers, whose LTP Request was already approved, submit certain critical documents to the Societies Committee for review (e.g. a constitution, a declaration of the society’s aims and activities, a general risk assessment, etc.). As considered during a regular Societies Committee meeting, this effectively is a *pro forma* document review – only in rare instances accompanied by debate as to whether the proposed society’s constitutional aims will overlap with those of an existing society, as this will have already been addressed (as above).

HURDLES ALREADY IN THE CURRENT AFFILIATION PROCESS

When a group of students decide they wish to form a new society, they are required to complete the following steps, and in the following order:

1. To agree upon a series of intended aims and activities for their proposed society, which are stated as part of their LTP Request, and as conveyed to the Societies Committee’s Affiliations Officer. The Affiliations Officer thereafter conveys the LTP Requests to the Societies Committee.
2. The Societies Committee must then determine whether the proposed society’s disclosed aims and activities, which it must infer as faithfully representing the intended governing (i.e. constitutional) aims of the society when fully formed. By rote, as above, consideration of a LTP Request is when the Societies Committee effectively certifies its intention to affiliation a new society.
3. If the Societies Committee denied the LTP Request on the grounds that the proposed society’s aims clash with those of any existing society, the officers of the proposed society would need to proceed as follows:
 - 3.1. Arrange a meeting with the committee of the societies with which the proposed society’s aims would overlap.
 - 3.2. Argue convincingly to said existing committees that the proposed society poses no substantive threat to their activities, membership base, sponsorship relations, and so on.
 - 3.3. Petition the existing societies to draft a carve-out in the stated aims of their respective constitutions, in order to eliminate any potential clash with those of the proposed society.

- 3.4. Thereafter, each society whose aims would overlap with those of the proposed society would need to do as follows:
 - 3.4.1. Draft and agree upon revisions to their respective constitution, in order to eliminate any clash with the proposed society's own aims.
 - 3.4.2. Schedule a general meeting (in the preponderance of instances, an extraordinary general meeting, or EGM), and give notice to its members and the general public at least 10 days in advance.
 - 3.4.3. Conduct a general meeting, wherein changes to the society's constitution must have been drafted in advanced and circulated; where said constitutional amendments are duly debated; and where said amendments are approved by the general membership of the society.
 - 3.4.4. Provide written notice of the amendment to their constitution, as regards the proposed society, to the Societies Committee and the proposed society's officers.
4. Thereafter, having successfully petitioned each society with whom the proposed society clashed in their respective aims, the students attempting to form a new society could then return to the Societies Committee and re-submit an LTP Request.
5. The Societies Committee would then review the LTP Request, and would have to again deny any such Request unless it was confident that any possible issue regarding the proposed society's aims had been eliminated.

As should now be evident, the current process by which students may form a new society is strenuous and time-consuming in instances wherein any overlapping aims arise. Considered on its own, this process appears in need of reform – especially when the actual timeline for the above process is never less than four weeks, and usually at least ten weeks in the majority of cases (i.e. an entire semester).

SOURCE OF ADDITIONAL CAUSE FOR ALARM

The LTP Request process, as above outlined, is additionally complicated by several underlying problems. These exist regardless of whether the Societies Committee approves or denies a LTP Request on the grounds of a clash in societies' stated aims.

1. A proposed society's disclosed aims, almost without exception, are written in aspirational and vague language because the students attempting to form the society are often focused on what they intend to actually do with their newly formed society if their LTP Request is approved. In the preponderance of instances, these students have no reason to suspect that their success in the affiliation process hinges upon their ability to unintentionally circumvent language that could be construed to clash with that of other societies. Nor do they often understand that the Societies Committee is more concerned with syntactical convergence than the substance of what they actually intend to do with their proposed society.
2. Students attempting to form a new society have no means of reviewing the stated aims of the approximately 150 student societies in order to ascertain whether their proposed society's aims will clash with those of an existing society. There is no practical nor effective means by the Societies Committee can collate societies' constitutions for public access. Although societies may easily supply such documents

upon request, or publically of their own volition, the vast preponderance decline to do so.

- 2.1. Even if students had access to the constitutions of all 150 existing societies, those attempting to form a new society would need to review many of them in order to ensure no such clash existed.
3. When drafting a constitution for a society whose LTP Request has been approved, or when re-drafting the constitution of an already-existing society, students predominantly use over-arching language when writing the section regarding the society's aims. Said constitutional language is thereby conspicuously non-specific, and thus make discerning subtle differences between a proposed and existing societies the oversight equivalent of organising piles of sand on a windy Scottish beach.
 - 3.1. This is in part due to repeated cautions from the Societies Committee, as well as the Association more generally, that any activities conducted by each society's committee that are outwith its explicit aims are breaches of the fiduciary duty of said committee members, and may well expose individual to significant legal and financial liability.
 - 3.2. It is in part also due to the fact that society's officers often draft constitutional aims in the same aspirational and vague mind-set in which they drafted the aims stated on an LTP Request.
 - 3.3. It is in part also due to the fact that there is no incentive for a society to write constitutional aims that are *not* broad, because in retaining over-arching language they reserve a wide degree of lateral wiggle-room for themselves and future committees to commit to new activities without having to undergo the process of constitutional amendment *in advance thereof*, in order that their new activities might be conducted without administrative issue (see above).
4. Societies' stated aims, per their respective constitutions, consistently fail to identify their activities and purpose in practice to any degree of useful specificity. Therefore, when the Committee is attempting to decide whether to approve or deny a LTP Request based on whether a proposed society's aims will overlap with those of any existing society, it is forced to use an inaccurate standard to measure a new society in relation to equally inaccurate measurements of existing societies.

The above problems demonstrate the presence of serious flaws in the current system of affiliating societies, whose administrative iniquities have also been addressed herein. The net effect of these issues is an overwhelming barrier of oversight obligations that the Societies Committee is forced to erect in the path of new societies – despite the fact that it shares the disbelief of ordinary students at its height and the difficulty in surmounting it.

To illustrate, if only in part, the above problems in a less abstract manner, let us now consider some ways in which they manifest in practice.

REAL INSTANCES WHERE THESE PROBLEMS HAVE ARISEN

Below are several examples of the manner in which the problematic circumstances discussed above have inhibited the affiliation of new societies (no. 1 and 2); and have forced the Societies Committee to nearly break itself upon the verbatim text of the Laws, in order that it might continue to serve the Association as the Laws direct it in substance to do (no. 3).

1. Forced denial of LTP Request: Save the Elephant Society
 - A LTP Request submitted in early September 2015 on behalf of this society was denied by the Societies Committee because of a clash with the aims of the Wildlife & Conservation Society, among others.
 - As a result, the Societies Committee commanded that its Affiliations Officer be directed to counsel the students attempting to form said society about the possibility of carving-out an exception in the constitution of the societies with whom the proposed society clashed in stated aims.
 - The students did indeed seek carve-outs that would permit the Societies Committee to re-consider an LTP Request from the Society. This process is, as of Week 5, still ongoing.
2. Repeated forced denial of LTP Request: STAARTANGO Society
 - A LTP Request that was submitted in *September 2014* was denied by the Societies Committee because of a clash with the aims of the Latin & Ballroom Dance Society, among others.
 - As a result, the Societies Committee recommended that its Affiliations Officer counsel the students attempting to form said society about the possibility of carving-out an exception in the constitution of the societies with whom the proposed society clashed in stated aims.
 - The students did indeed seek the carve-outs that would permit the Societies Committee to re-consider an LTP Request. As a result, they were successfully affiliated in *April 2015*.
3. Approved LTP Request, in theoretical contravention to Laws of the Association: ANSA Society (Association of Norwegian Students Abroad Society)
 - A LTP Request that was submitted in early September 2015 was approved by the Societies Committee, despite extended discussion of whether the proposed society's aims clashed with those of the Scandinavian Society.
 - The LTP Request was approved because the Societies Committee, in the last 12 months, has repeatedly reviewed such requests from students wishing to form societies for cultural or national groups about whom another society has already claimed jurisdiction by its respective aims.
 - Based purely on the text of the stated aims of ANSA Society, it clashes with the Scandinavian Society because of the former's intent to provide social and cultural exchange amongst and within Norwegian students in St Andrews. However, the LTP Request was approved because another equally-valid interpretation of the same text demonstrates ANSA's intent to conduct events focused on Norwegian students in their own right, compared to Scandinavian's intention to conduct events focused on Norwegian students as a part of the Scandinavian student community – an obvious and substantive difference.

RESOLUTION IN FAVOUR OF REFORM

As a result of the above, the Societies Committee has been prevented from approving the LTP and Affiliation Requests of any society whose stated or intended aims are even vaguely conflicting with those of any of the approximately 150 student societies already affiliated to it. This is the case despite the fact that the operations of said societies do not conflict in their actual conduct-in-practice; and thus, to fund them (approving their Affiliation Requests) would not expose the Association to allegations of breaching of OSCR statute.

The Societies Committee's recurring denial of LTP and Affiliation Requests under the circumstances addressed herein have prevented a number of students' proposed societies from affiliating. Many of these – outwith the restraints set on the Committee by the Laws of the Association – are likely to be exceedingly meritorious and deserving of a place among existing affiliated societies. The Societies Committee thus recommends the following reforms, in order that it be empowered to better fulfil its responsibilities to the Association and the individuals whom the Association itself serves.

A PROPOSED SOLUTION

Pursuant thereto, the Societies Committee urgently recommends the following:

- Amend the Laws of the Association at §2.2., §2.3., and §2.4. – striking the problematic language in §2.2., as well as the now superfluous language in §2.3. and §2.4. – and insert at §2.5.4. “Any other conditions that the SSC Societies Committee may adopt.”

The result thereof being that the Societies Committee may do as follows:

- Pursuant to the regulations of the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator, and as already directed by its Special Rules of Order, the Societies Committee shall continue to NOT fund, by its grants of any kind, societies who intend to:
 - §4.1.1.1. Purchase goods or services offered by the Association from another vendor, when the undertaking for which the aforementioned are required does not necessitate purchasing said items from another vendor.
 - §4.1.1.2. Purchase goods or services for purposes outwith the society's declared aims.
 - §4.1.1.3. Purchase goods or services in a non-cost-effective manner.

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And in an effective and reasonable manner, it shall ensure that even its non-discretionary grants (e.g. start-up grants, top-up grants), which may be dispersed without the Societies Committee's prior consideration of the purpose thereto (as with all discretionary grants), are dispersed upon mutual agreement between the Association and the respective society of the immediately above.

The combination of these factors will ensure that the Association maintains OSCR compliance by not funding societies' activities that are duplicative (i.e. an inefficient expenditure of the Association's funds).

- The Societies Committee shall adopt a policy administering to the affiliation of new societies to further ensure that the substance of their actual activities do not unduly overlap with those of another existing society (the matter of Association funding having already been addressed as above). Such a policy will take the form of the following, subject to amendment:
 - Outwith amendments to its Special Rules of Order, the Societies Committee shall allow itself enough acting discretion to consider LTP and Affiliation Requests on the grounds of whether the proposed ordinary society's intended and/or existing conduct-in-practice does not substantively infringe upon the conduct-in-practice of any existing society.
 - If an LTP Request is approved, the Societies Committee will give prompt notice to existing societies (by email) of the intended aims and conduct-in-practice of the proposed society, as disclosed to the Societies Committee. This shall constitute the start of a 7-day societies-consultation-period, wherein societies may comment or object to the approval of an LTP Request; and wherein the approval of said Request is deemed provisional, subject to automatic finality in the absence of a formal objection.
 - Should an existing society wish, they may object in writing or in person, whereupon the Societies Committee would subsequently reconsider and perhaps reverse its approval of the LTP Request, or extend the period of its provisional approval to allow for additional consultation with societies, and/or additional consideration by the Societies Committee.
 - NB: in the instance of an extraordinary proposed society whose intended and/or existing conduct-in-practice may be understood to infringe upon the conduct-in-practice of an Association subcommittee, the Societies Committee will continue its current practice of applying a heightened standard of review to the LTP Request. This would thereby continue to make it exceedingly unlikely that a society may be formed that would duplicate and/or undermine the activities of an Association subcommittee.

Pursuant thereto, the above changes are so recommended in earnest.

:CLH/AKOB/MT

(END MEMORANDUM)

J.15-23

A MOTION TO PROMOTE THE POSTGRADUATE OFFICER ON THE SSC CHARITIES CAMPAIGN TO AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE POSITION AND RENAME THE POSITION TO POSTGRADUATE COORDINATOR

THIS SRC AND SSC NOTE:

1. With regards to the position of Postgraduate Officer, the SSC Charities Committee resolved that it would be more useful to have a postgraduate member on the Executive Committee.
2. This would allow the postgraduate member to have voting rights and would be able to create a postgraduate sub-committee with a structure resembling that of other Charities Campaign Subcommittees.
3. With regards to the position of Postgraduate Coordinator, the SSC Charities Committee resolved that their role would provide a link between postgraduates and undergraduates, and assist the events coordinator in organising events for postgraduates.

THIS SRC AND SSC BELIEVE:

1. There is a need for postgraduates to become more involved in predominantly undergraduate activities.
2. This direct link would open up the charities committee to a wider audience and help make campaign activities more inclusive.

THIS SRC AND SSC RESOLVE:

To report the following amendments to the Laws of the Association to SAB with the recommendation that the same do pass:

1. Add 2.1.1.14. Postgraduate Coordinator

PROPOSED: SSC Charities Committee (Charities Campaign)