

Göta studentkår's statutes

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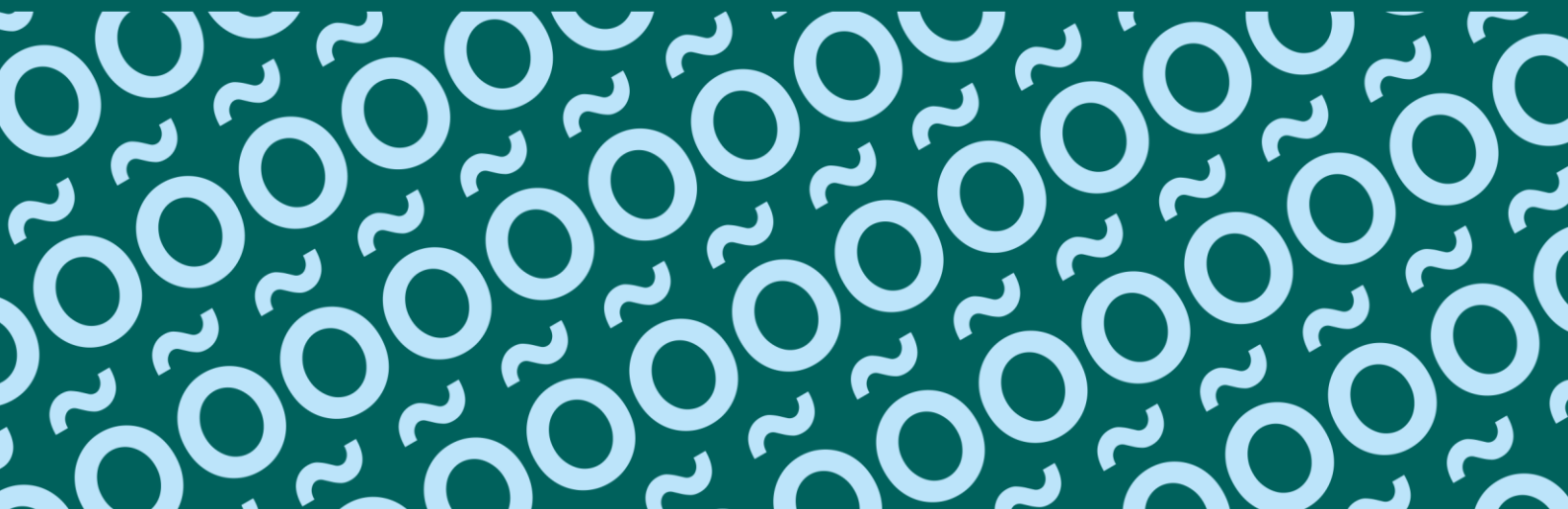




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Chapter 1: General

§ 1:1

Name and composition

The name of the student union is Göta studentkår. Göta studentkår is a democratically run non-profit association of students at the University of Gothenburg. Göta studentkår is religiously, ideologically and party-politically unbound.

§ 1:2

Aim

The aim of Göta studentkår is to protect, promote and monitor the interests of its represented students in educational and study social issues.

§ 1:3

Registered address

Göta studentkår's registered office is in Gothenburg.

§ 1:4

Represented students

Göta studentkår represents all students at the University of Gothenburg at first cycle, second-cycle and third cycle levels within the Faculty of Humanities, the Faculty of Science, the Faculty of Social Sciences, the Faculty of Education and the IT Faculty.

§ 1:5

Organisation

Göta studentkår's institutions are:

- › The Representative Assembly
- › The Union Board
- › The Nomination Committee
- › The Election Committee
- › The section boards
- › The councils
- › The Doctorial council
- › Central committees

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- › Section committees

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Financial year

Göta studentkår's financial year, accounting year and the mandate period for the Representative assembly, the Union board and the sections runs from 1 July until the 30 of June, unless otherwise stated by these statutes.

§ 1:7

Authorised signatories

Two of Göta studentkår's authorised signatories must sign jointly. One of Göta studentkår's authorised signatories must be the Chairperson of Göta studentkår. The Union Board appoints additional authorised signatories at the constituent board meetings.

Chapter 2: Membership

§ 2:1

Membership

Students who are enrolled and registered for education at the University of Gothenburg and who are included under point 1:4 are entitled to be members of Göta studentkår.

A student becomes a member of Göta studentkår by paying the membership fee, set by the Representative Assembly.

§ 2:2

Member rights

Every member is entitled to:

- › participate in elections for the Representative Assembly
- › stand as a candidate for the Representative Assembly, the Union Board, a section board, the Nomination Committee and the Election Committee
- › stand as a candidate for the student representative positions appointed by Göta studentkår
- › stand as a candidate for the student representative positions for which Göta studentkår is entitled to nominate candidates
- › have a question dealt with by the Representative Assembly, the Union board or a section board.

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- › read minutes from the Representative Assembly, the Union Board and the section boards meetings.
- › take advantage of the benefits and services offered by Göta studentkår

§ 2:3

Member obligations

Every member is expected to follow these statutes, Göta studentkår's values, policies, rules, and the decisions taken by the Representative Assembly, the Union board or the section boards.

§ 2:4

Sustaining membership

Individuals can become sustaining members by paying the sustaining membership fee established by the Representative Assembly. Sustaining members do not have any rights or obligations within the Union.

Sustaining members are not members of a section.

A full member elected to a position of trust may complete their assignment with a sustaining membership should they terminate, or pause, their studies during the financial year.

§ 2:5

Temporary Membership

Individual students from institutions other than the University of Gothenburg may, by paying a fee for a temporary membership determined by The Representative Assembly, hold a temporary membership in Göta studentkår. The period of validity for the temporary membership is determined when the individual student pays the temporary membership fee.

For a temporary membership to be valid, the student's full name, personal identification number, name of university, valid student card or Mecenat card, signature from one of the authorized signatories of Göta studentkår, and an authenticity stamp are required.

The validity period of a temporary membership is indicated on the provisional membership card. A temporary membership is valid for a maximum of three (3) days, and the start and end dates are determined by mutual agreement.

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As a temporary member, you have the right to participate in member-exclusive events and access to Kårkällar'n.

The temporary membership does not include the collaborations that Göta studentkår has with other entities. The temporary member undertakes to abide by these statutes during the validity period.

The temporary member is not a member of any section.

§ 2:6

Resignation

A member has the right to terminate his membership in Göta studentkår. A member who wishes to resign from Göta studentkår must notify the student union. The membership ceases to apply when the notice of resignation has been received by Göta studentkår.

Membership ceases to apply when the period for which membership has been signed expires, or when the studies at one of the faculties at the University of Gothenburg that Göta studentkår represents comes to an end.

§ 2:7

Suspension

A member who is guilty of a serious violation of point 2:3 or who opposes the aims of the union can be suspended according to the document "Policy for notification cases".

A decision about suspension will be taken by the Union board with at least half the Union board's total number of votes. The decision shall indicate the shortest period for which the suspension is valid. The decision on suspension shall be reported to the Representative Assembly.

If the person or member concerned wishes to appeal the decision, he or she can do so to the Representative Assembly. This must be submitted in writing to chairperson of the union.

Decisions on appeals to the Representative Assembly are made by at least half of the Representative Assembly's total number of votes. The

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decision shall specify the shortest period to which the suspension shall apply.

A question of suspension can be raised by members of Göta studentkår.

Members who are the subject of a decision on suspension will be notified of this and are entitled to attend and comment on this matter at the Union board- or Representative Assembly meeting at which the issue of suspension will be considered.

Chapter 3: The Representative Assembly

§ 3:1

The nature of the Representative Assembly

The Representative Assembly is Göta studentkår's highest decision-making body.

§ 3:2

Composition

The Representative Assembly consists of 21 members, who are appointed by the Union's members by direct election. The Representative Assembly represents members of Göta studentkår.

A member of the Representative Assembly must be a member throughout the term of office but may complete their assignment with a sustaining membership should they terminate, or pause, their studies during the financial year.

If a member retires from his or her position, a replacement will be appointed in accordance with Göta studentkår's electoral system.

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In the event of a temporary absence, a member may be replaced by the next person on the list if the member has been elected through the list.

§ 3:3

Making decisions

The Representative Assembly makes decisions with at least half the number of approved votes cast, unless otherwise stated in these statutes.

In the event of an even number of votes, the issue shall be dealt with again. In the event of an even number of votes on a decision where the issue cannot be postponed, the Union Chairman has the casting vote.

§ 3:4

Meetings

The Representative Assembly meets when convened by the Union Chairman or at the request of at least three board members of the Representative Assembly.

The Representative Assembly must hold at least two meetings per semester.

Before its mandate period begins, a newly elected Representative Assembly must hold a constituent meeting before the end of April. At a constituent Representative Assembly meeting, no business other than that stated in point 3:5 may be dealt with.

§ 3:5

Constituent meeting

Before the end of April, a newly elected Representative Assembly must hold a constituent meeting.

The following matters must be dealt with ahead of the coming financial year:

- › Election of:
 - › Union Chairman as well as chairman of the Union board
 - › Vice chairman as well as a member of the Union board
 - › Education monitoring coordinator and member of the union board

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- › Event and association coordinator as well as a member of the Union board
- › One operational auditor.
- › An authorized financial auditor
- › A chairman for each of the section boards as well as members of the Union board
- › Vice chairman for the section of Social Sciences as well as member of the Union board
- › Members of the section boards
- › Floor leader and a substitute floor leader for the Representative Assembly
- › Rules of procedure for the Representative Assembly
- › Membership fees
- › The monthly remuneration amount
- › Budget
- › Operational plan
- › Decision on dates for the autumn meetings for the Representative Assembly

Decisions made by the constituent Delegation meeting come into force on 1 July of that year.

§ 3:6

Matters to be dealt with during autumn

At the Representative Assembly meeting during the autumn, the following matters shall be dealt with:

- › Election of the Nomination committee
- › Election of the Chairman of the Election committee
- › Election of three to six board members of the Election committee
- › Delegation of authority for Göta studentkår
- › Annual report
- › Auditor's reports
- › confirming the income statement and balance sheet
- › the Union Board's proposal for how to dispose of any surplus or cover any deficit
- › discharging the previous year's Union Board from liability

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- › Resolution on dates for the spring meetings for the Representative Assembly

§ 3:7

Summoning

Notice of meetings shall be sent to the members of the Representative Assembly no later than twenty weekdays before the meeting and shall contain a preliminary agenda.

Documents for the meeting shall be sent to members of the Delegation no later than ten weekdays before the meeting.

Notice shall be posted on Göta studentkår's website.

§ 3:8

Motions

Members who wish to add an item to the agenda must give notice of this in writing to the organizational coordinator no later than fifteen weekdays before the meeting of the Representative Assembly.

The Union board shall issue a statement on motions received by the Representative Assembly.

§ 3:9

Additional matters

Decisions may not be taken on issues that have not been sent as decision points.

§ 3:10

Right of attendance and right to speak

The Representative Assembly's meetings are open to members- and the employees of Göta studentkår

All those present at the meeting have the right to speak.

The members of the Representative Assembly, the Chairman of the Representative Assembly, the Representative Assembly secretary, the Union Board, the Union's auditors, the Nomination Committee and the Election Committee have the permanent right to attend.

The Representative Assembly may decide to hold a part of the meeting behind closed doors if the Representative Assembly deems

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that there are specific reasons for doing so. This should only occur in exceptional circumstances and with caution.

§ 3:11

The right to submit proposals

Göta studentkår's members, the members of the Representative Assembly, the Union Board, the Union's auditors, the Nomination Committee, the Election Committee, and those decided on by the Representative Assembly have the right to submit motions.

§ 3:12

The right to vote

The members of the Representative Assembly have the right to vote. Voting by proxy is not permitted.

§ 3:13

Quorum

A meeting is in quorum if notice has been given in accordance with point 3:7 and at least half of the ordinary members are present at the meeting.

§ 3:14

Voting

As a rule, voting takes place openly, with the exception of personal elections with more than one candidate where secret ballot-voting is always used. A secret ballot vote will also be made at the requests of a member of the Representative Assembly.

§ 3:15

Personal election

Individuals are always elected by secret ballot, unless the Representative Assembly unanimously decides otherwise. In order to be elected, more than half the Representative Assembly's valid votes are required. If no candidate receives the stipulated majority, a new round of voting is carried out with all the candidates except the candidate who received the lowest number of votes in the previous round of voting.

§ 3:16

Minutes

Minutes of the Representative Assembly's meetings shall be kept. These minutes shall be confirmed by the serving chairman of the meeting, the meeting secretary and two people elected to confirm the minutes.

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§ 3:17

Notifying decisions

Confirmed minutes from Representative Assembly meetings shall be posted on Göta studentkår's website no later than four weeks after each Representative meeting.

§ 3:18

Vote of no confidence

Representative Assembly can declare that an elected representative does not have the confidence of the Representative Assembly, which means that the elected representative will be discharged from the position.

In order to make such a declaration, more than half of the Representative Assembly's total number of members must sanction this. A vote of no confidence will only be dealt with at the request of at least four members of the Representative Assembly.

§ 3:19

Cooperation organisations

Issues relating to Göta studentkår's admission to or withdrawal from other organisations will be decided on by the Representative Assembly with a three quarters majority of the number of approved votes cast.

§ 3:20

Prevented to be a member of the Representative Assembly

If a member of the Representative Assembly is elected as a member of the Union Board, he or she must resign from his or her place on the Representative Assembly.

§ 3:21

Bias

In the case a member of the Representative Assembly is bias, the member shall not cast a vote in issue in question.

A member of the Representative Assembly may raise the order of another member being bias. If the member being accused of being bias chooses not to lay down his/her vote the Representative Assembly will decide whether the member is bias or not.

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Bias means that the decision may bring particular benefit to the member of the Representative Assembly or if the member's impartiality can be called into question.

§ 3:22

Dismissal of a member of the Representative Assembly

If a member of the Representative Assembly does not attend two meetings in a row without giving a good explanation for the absence, the member can be dismissed from being a member of the Representative Assembly. The same applies if a member does not answer, for the Presidiums possible, contact attempts up to one week before the second meeting of the Representative Assembly.

The member of the Representative Assembly shall then be replaced with the next person on his or her list, if the person belongs to one, otherwise with the next person from the replacement list. If there is no replacement, the size of the Representative Assembly is adjusted.

Chapter 4: Election of the Representative Assembly

§ 4:1

Way of election

The Representative Assembly is elected annually via free, closed, direct and proportional election. The election must have been held and counted by the end of March.

Voting can be done at a voting station or via the internet

§ 4:2

Right to vote

The right to vote has every member who can present a valid identification at the time of election.

Each member has one vote. Voting by proxy is not allowed.

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§ 4:3

Eligibility

Every member is eligible for the Representative Assembly.

In order to receive votes for the Representative Assembly, the candidate must be eligible.

§ 4:4

Distribution of seats

Representative Assembly seats will distribute as prescribed by the electoral system.

In order for a candidate to obtain a Representative Assembly seat, the candidate or the list must receive at least two approved votes

§ 4:5

Election period

Elections to the council shall be held between March 1 and March 24. The exact election date is set by the Union board in consultation with the election committee.

§ 4:6

By-election

The Representative Assembly can, with simple majority, announce a by-election. In order for such a decision to be taken, it is required that the number of members in the Representative Assembly is less than sixteen and that there is no replacement list or that the list has been emptied according to §3.2.

By-election must follow the same procedures and rules that apply to the ordinary elections to the Representative Assembly according to §4.2.

By-election may not be conducted within 50 days of the ordinary election period in accordance with §4.5.

Chapter 5: The Union Board

§ 5:1

The nature of the Board

The Union Board is the Union's executive body and the Representative Assembly's agent. The Union Board carries out the immediate

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administration of the Union's operations in accordance with these statutes, existing governing documents and other decisions made by the Representative Assembly

§ 5:2

Composition

The Union Board consists of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the education monitoring coordinator, the event and association coordinator and the chairman of each section as well as the vice chairman for the section of Social Sciences. In the event that the section lacks a chairman or vice chairman, the section board shall appoint a deputy from the section board.

The members of the Union Board must be members of Göta studentkår.

§ 5:3

By-election to the Union Board

If a member of the Union Board retires from his or her position, the Representative Assembly may hold a by-election. The by-election shall be prepared by the incumbent Nomination Committee.

§ 5:4

Tasks

The tasks of the Union Board are to:

- › plan, coordinate and lead the operations of the Union
- › prepare matters to be handled by the Representative Assembly, unless the Representative Assembly, has decided that the matter should be prepared in some other way
- › implement the Representative Assembly's decisions
- › appoint members to committees and elected representatives to those bodies to which members or elected representative are not chosen by the Representative Assembly, or the sections
- › prepare budget proposals for the coming financial year
- › In addition to the members of the section boards appointed at the Constituent meeting for the Representative Assembly, appoint members of the section boards continuously during the financial year
- › prepare operational plan proposals for the coming financial year

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- › prepare the Delegation's income statement and balance sheet for the financial year no later than 1 November of the subsequent financial year
- › act as the employer for the Union's employees
- › make decisions on the payment of remuneration
- › appoint authorized signatories
- › after its mandate period, but no later than 1 November, submit its annual report to the auditors
- › support the sections in their work
- › concretize the adopted operational plan and report this to the Representative Assembly. Concretized operational plan must be based on the operational plan adopted by the constituent Representative Assembly meeting

The Union Board may also make decisions that would normally be made by the Representative Assembly, but which cannot be postponed. Any such decisions must be submitted to the Representative Assembly at the next Representative Assembly meeting.

§ 5:5

Summoning

The Union Board meets when summoned by the Union Chairman. Notice of meetings shall be sent to the members of the Union Board no later than ten weekdays before the meeting. Agendas and other board documents must be circulated no later than three weekdays before the meeting.

Notice of meetings shall be posted at Göta studentkår's website.

§ 5:6

Quorum

The Board is in quorum when half, but at least four of the members are present at a meeting.

§ 5:7

Making decisions

The Board makes decisions with at least half the number of approved votes cast. In the event of an even number of votes, the issue shall be dealt with again. If a decision cannot be postponed, the Chairman of the Union Board has the casting vote.

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If the Board is to be able to make decisions in some other way, this must be governed by the Board's meeting procedure.

§ 5:8

The rights of meeting participants

The members of the Union Board have the right of attendance, the right to speak, the right of initiation and the right to vote at the Union Board's meetings.

The Union's auditors have the right of attendance and the right to speak.

The right of attendance and the right to speak for others are governed by the Board's meeting procedure.

The Board can decide to hold the meeting in part or in full behind closed doors.

§ 5:9

Minutes

Minutes shall be taken by the meeting secretary at the Board's meetings. These minutes shall be confirmed by the chairman of the meeting, the meeting secretary and at least one person elected to confirm the minutes.

§ 5:10

Notifying decisions

Confirmed minutes from the Board's meetings shall be posted publicly no later than two weeks after the Board meeting in question.

§ 5:11

Constitute Board meetings

The incoming Union Board shall hold a constituent meeting after the Delegation meeting at which the Board was elected has been concluded. The following matters shall be dealt with at this meeting:

- > meeting procedure
- > remuneration
- > authorized signatories
- > financial delegation
- > adopt rules of procedure for the sections

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If the constituent Board meeting is held before 1 July, decisions taken at the meeting come into force on 1 July.

Vote of no confidence

The Union board may declare that elected representatives by the Union board does not enjoy the Union boards trust.

For such an explanation, more than half of the Union board's total number of members is required to approve this.

Declaration of mistrust is dealt with only at the request of at least three members.

A decision regarding a declaration of mistrust within the Union board can be appealed to the Representative Assembly.

Chapter 6: Sections

§ 6:1

The nature of the sections

All members of Göta studentkår belong to a section.

The task of these sections is to monitor education within their individual areas, arrange study social activities, engage the members of the Union, to encourage the section's students to become members of Göta studentkår, and to appoint the Union's representatives within the section's field of activity.

Each section shall encourage its members to stand as candidates and vote in Union elections

§ 6:2

The number of sections and their fields of activity

Göta studentkår has five sections:

- › The Humanities section,
- › The Social Sciences Section
- › The Science Section

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- › The IT Section
- › The Education Section

Each section's field of activity corresponds to the relevant faculty board area or equivalent.

§ 6:3

Section affiliation

Each member is affiliated with a section within which he or she is studying courses worth the most higher education credits. Students enrolled for an education programme are affiliated with the section with the field of activity that corresponds to the faculty board area or equivalent responsible for the programme.

Members studying courses worth an equal number of higher education credits at two sections may choose for themselves which section they wish to be affiliated with.

§ 6:4

The section board

The section board is responsible for the section's operations.

The members of the Section Board shall be responsible for educational issues, study social issues and finances.

The Section Board is responsible to the Union Board.

§ 6:5

The composition of the section board

The members of the section board must be members of Göta studentkår. Should a member of the section terminate, or pause, their studies, they may complete their assignment with a sustaining membership.

Each section board must consist of at 3-9 board member including the Section Chairman and the Vice Chairman of the section.

§ 6:6

Tasks

The tasks of the Section board are to:

- › lead the work of the section
- › represent the section

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- › appoint student representatives within the section's area of operation
- › submit proposals for the Election Committee before the second Representative Assembly meeting of the autumn semester
- › submit at least one proposal for the Nomination Committee, no later than 1 October
- › submit an annual report to the Union board no later than 1 October of the subsequent financial year

The section board member's assignments are regulated in the assignment descriptions for section board members.

Chapter 7: Councils

§ 7:1

The nature of the councils

Göta studentkår's councils are bodies for cooperation and consultation between the Union Board and the sections. The council's is available to address strategic issues within Göta studentkår.

§ 7:2

The creation of the councils

The Union board has the right to create new councils. The councils is created by the Union board if it's necessary for handling issues that concern the whole organization.

§ 7:3

Composition

The composition of the Council is determined by the Union Board.

At least one member from each section as well as the Union Board is recommended, depending on the purpose of the council, this can be exempted.

§ 7:4

Summoning

The Council meets at the invitation of the Chairman of the council.

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Chapter 8: Central committees and section committees

§ 8:1

The nature of central committees and section committees

For preparation and implementation of specific issues of interest, the union board has committees and section committees at their disposal.

§ 8:2

Composition

The members of the committees are selected by the union board

The members of the section committees are selected by the section board.

Members of committees and section committees should be members of Göta studentkår.

Chapter 9: Ceremony committee

§ 9:1

The nature of the Ceremony committee

There is only one ceremony committee at Göta studentkår.

The ceremony committee works to preserve and pass on the traditions of Göta studentkår and its representatives.

The ceremony committee represents Göta studentkår at ceremonies and celebrations within the student union and at the University of Gothenburg.

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Attaining the Title of Ceremony Committee

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To attain the title of ceremony committee and thus hold the responsibility of representing Göta studentkår, approval from the union board is required.

§ 9:3

Composition

Members of the ceremony committee are elected by the ceremony committee itself but are confirmed by the incoming union board.

The board of the ceremony committee must be members of Göta studentkår.

§ 9:4

Tasks

The ceremony committee is tasked with:

- › To the best of their abilities, care for and represent Göta studentkår and the values of the student union adequately
- › To the best of their abilities, preserve and pass on the traditions of Göta studentkår
- › To the best of their abilities, attend and represent Göta studentkår at ceremonies and celebrations of the University of Gothenburg and the student union

§ 9:5

Working Procedure

In addition to what is stated in these statutes, the ceremony committee is regulated by the document "Working Procedure for Göta studentkår's Ceremony Committee".

Chapter 10: Doctoral council

§ 10:1

The nature of the Doctoral council

Doctoral councils are associations of doctoral students who study at one of the faculties represented by Göta studentkår.

The doctoral councils are further regulated in the document "Rules of procedure for doctoral councils".

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§ 10:2

The number of doctoral councils and areas of activity

Göta studentkår has five doctoral councils:

- › The Humanities Doctoral Council
- › The Social Sciences Doctoral Council
- › The Science Doctoral Council
- › The IT Doctoral Council
- › The Education Doctoral Council

The doctoral council's area of activity is equal to the respective faculty and section.

§ 10:3

Task

The task of the Doctoral Council is to:

- › coordinate doctoral students at the represented faculty
- › be a platform for discussion between doctoral students
- › act as a reference body for the University of Gothenburg in matters concerning doctoral students
- › carry information between doctoral students and Göta studentkår's section boards
- › nominate doctoral students for student representative assignments to the section board
- › appoint a representative to the University of Gothenburg's doctoral student committee (GUDK)

§ 10:4

Composition

The doctoral council consists of a chairperson, vice chairperson, treasurer and secretary. In addition to the presidium, the doctoral council must include a representative from each department within the area of activity. All doctoral student representatives who hold a seat in joint faculty bodies within the area of activity are also members of the doctoral student council.

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Chapter 11: Nomination committee

§ 11:1

The nature of the nomination committee

The nomination committee prepares all the elections held by the representative assembly along with the election of section board members.

The nomination committee may be tasked by the representative assembly or by the union board with preparing additional elections.

§ 11:2

Composition

The nomination committee consists of three to six people who should be members from different sections.

The nomination committee elects a convener and a subsidiary convener among the members of the committee.

§ 11:3

Meetings

The meetings of the nomination committee is convened by the convener.

§ 11:4

Quorum

The Nomination Committee is in quorum when the convener or deputy convener and at least half of the Nomination Committee members are present. In the event of an even number of votes, the convener has the casting vote.

§ 11:5

Tasks of the nomination committee.

No later than two weeks before a Representative Assembly meeting at which elections will be held, the Nomination Committee shall submit a full list of names for the elections to be held.

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The Nomination Committee is tasked with submitting proposals for any Board by-elections that need to be held over the course of the year.

Chapter 12: Auditing

§ 12:1

Financial audit

Göta studentkår's financial audit shall be carried out by an authorized auditor.

§ 12:2

Operational audit

Operations shall be audited by one operational auditor.

§ 12:3

Presenting the auditor's reports

The financial auditor and the operational auditor must submit separate auditor's reports to the Delegation no later than 15 November following the financial year to which their audits relate. The operational auditor report must include a statement on discharging the Board from liability.

The financial auditor's report must include statements on discharging the Board from liability, confirming the income statement and balance sheet, and the Board's proposal for disposing of any surplus or covering any deficit.

§ 12:4

Extraordinary financial audit

At the request of the Union Board or the Representative Assembly, the financial auditors shall carry out a specific audit of particular administrative aspects.

§ 12:5

Extraordinary operational audit

The operational auditor can carry out a specific audit of an issue at their own initiative or at the request of a Union member.

§ 12:6

Following auditing practice

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The auditors must follow good auditing practice.

§ 12:7

Prevention from holding other commissions of trust alongside the role of auditor

Auditors may not hold any other commission of trust within Göta studentkår.

Chapter 13: Union associations

§ 13:1

The nature of Union associations

Societies that are aimed at members of Göta studentkår can apply for the status of union association. The result of the application will be decided on by the union board, and will be governed by its governing documents

If a society is denied status of union association, they may appeal against the decision of the union board to the representative assembly.

§ 13:2

Requirements in order to be granted the status of Union association

In order to be granted the status of Union association, the association's statutes must be approved by the Representative Assembly.

The requirements of union associations are further regulated in the document "regler för Göta studentkårs föreningar".

§ 13:3

The rights and obligations of union associations

The rights and obligations of union associations are regulated by the document "Regler för Göta studentkårs föreningar".

§ 13:4

Withdrawal of Union association status

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The union board may decide to withdraw the status of Union association if an association's operations or regulations contravene Göta studentkår's aim, these statutes or governing documents.

The union association may appeal against the decision of withdrawal to the representative assembly.

Union associations who want to withdraw their status of union association must inform the union board.

The union board shall grant such request immediately.

Chapter 14: Section associations

§ 14:1

The nature of section associations

Section associations are societies consisting of members who study at the same faculty, institution, program, subject or equivalent that is represented by one of Göta studentkår's sections.

§ 14:2

Task

The purpose of the section associations is to conduct educational monitoring within the group of students they represent and/or arrange social activities for members and other students.

§ 14:3

Requirements in order to be granted the status of section association

In order to be granted the status of section association, the members must send in an application to the section board at the section where the association wish to be active.

Requirements of section associations is further regulated in the document "Regler för Göta studentkårs föreningar".

§ 14:4

Annulment of section association status

The section board may decide to cancel an association's status as a sectional association if the association's activities cease or violate the

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Göta Student Union's statute, basic values or other governing documents.

Decisions regarding sectional association status can be appealed to the representative assembly.

Chapter 15: Governing documents

§ 15:1

Governing documents

In addition to this statute, there are, delegation order, work arrangements, job descriptions, values, vision, opinion documents, policies, plans and rules.

§ 15:2

Change of statutes

Amendments to these statutes require an equally sounding decision by a 3/4 majority of the number of approved cast votes at two different representative assembly meetings with at least thirty week days in between.

§ 15:3

Editorial changes

Decisions on editorial changes may be made by the union board.

In the event of a dispute, the statute interpretation committee determines whether an amendment is editorial

§ 15:4

Statute Interpretation Board

If a dispute arises regarding these statutes, the matter shall be referred to a Statute Interpretation Board consisting of the union's auditor, the speaker for the Representative Assembly and the chairman of the union. If the committee disagrees, the interpretation is decided by a vote. In voting, the winning proposal is supported by at least half of the total number of votes.

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§ 15:5

Delegation Order

The representative assembly is established and revised in the Delegation Order for Göta Studentkår. This includes tasks and powers. The delegation scheme should be discussed or decided once a year.

There is only one delegation order within Göta studentkår, other decisions on delegation regarding individuals in the union board or section board are described in the respective rules of procedure.

§ 15:6

Rules of Procedure

Rules of Procedure shall be in place for each body within the organization. It should specify directives on what the body should do, as well as procedures, possible schedules and delegations to individuals. Rules of procedure shall be decided upon each time a new term of office is started or when a body is appointed.

The following rules of procedure are decided by the representative assembly:

- › Rules of procedure for the representative assembly meetings
- › Rules of procedure for the Nomination Committee
- › Rules of procedure for operational auditor
- › Rules of procedure for student representatives
- › Rules of procedure for doctoral councils.

Följande arbetsordningar beslutas av kårstyrelsen:

- › Rules of procedure for the union board
- › Rules of procedure for sections
- › Rules of procedure for the section board members

Other rules of procedure are decided by the body that appointed the body. In that case the same type of bodies should exist on several sections, common rules of procedure should be decided by the union board.

§ 15:7

Election

In addition to what is stated in this statute, elections to the representative assembly are governed by the electoral order of Göta studentkår.

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In order to change the electoral system, equally abiding decisions are required with a 3/4 majority of the number of approved cast votes at two different representative assembly meetings with at least thirty weekdays in between.

§ 15:8

Task Descriptions

Task descriptions are documents that describe individuals' job and mission. Task descriptions shall be decided on before each election of individual posts has been made.

The following assignment descriptions shall be decided by the representative assembly:

- › Chairman of the union
- › Vice chairman of the union
- › Education monitoring coordinator
- › Event and association coordinator
- › Respective section chairmen
- › Social Sciences section vice chairman

The task descriptions for other assignments are decided in the event they are required. In the event that the same type of post is to be found on several sections, joint rules of procedure should be decided by the union board.

§ 15:9

Values and vision

The core values of Göta studentkår and the vision of Göta studentkår are established and revised by the representative assembly.

§ 15:10

Opinion document

The opinion document of Göta studentkår is established and revised by the representative assembly.

The opinions of Göta studentkår are presented in Göta studentkår's opinion document.

§ 15:11

Policy documents

Policy documents are established and revised by the representative assembly or the union board.

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A policy is a regulation for how the activities of Göta Studentkår should be conducted and is not statutory, statutory or assignment description. A policy should not express an opinion.

The following documents shall be decided by the representative assembly:

- › Göta studentkår's alcohol and drug policy
- › Göta studentkår's ecopolicy
- › Göta studentkår's policy for full-timers
- › Göta studentkår's equal treatment policy
- › Göta studentkår's investment policy
- › Göta studentkår's policy for notification cases
- › Göta studentkår's policy for collaborations and external relations
- › Göta studentkår's kick-off policy

The following documents shall be decided by the union board:

- › Göta studentkår's work environment policy
- › Göta studentkår's personal data management policy
- › Göta studentkår's staff policy
- › Göta studentkår's policy for labor market related event

§ 15:12

Plans

Plans are adopted by the union board, with the exception of an operational plan that is adopted by the representative assembly.

Action plans should be timed and run until its end date. Plans should describe follow-up goals.

§ 15:13

Rules

Rules are set by the body that finds that there is a need for rules. Rules apply for the time being, but should be addressed to decision-making bodies regularly. Rules should be followed up on an ongoing basis.

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Chapter 16: Resolution

§ 16:1

Decision of Resolution

In order to dissolve Göta studentkår, a similar decision must be made by a 3/4 majority of the representative assembly's total number of votes at two different meetings with a union election between.

§ 16:2

The assets of Göta studentkår upon dissolution

When dissolving Göta studentkår, the representative assembly decides by a 3/4 majority of the number of approved cast votes what the organization's assets should go to. If the representative assembly cannot make a decision, the assets must be funded in a fund for student union work.

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