

Student Parliament 4 2020



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17.15-20.30

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Totalt	Stemmeberettigede tilstede	24
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SiÅs	Astrid Randem Lunde	x
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	Nina Vold Johansen	x
AU	Tuva Todnem Lund	x
	Magnus Dybdahl	x
	Tilde Dalberg	x
	Elisabeth Breiland	x
ISU		
Kontrollkom	Ane Magnussen	x
	Lise Benette Nilsen Hovd	x

AGENDA

STUDENT PARLIAMENT 4 - 2020, MONDAY 14th OF SEPTEMBER AT 5:15 PM, UR Festsalen U215.
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2041 Constitution

2041.1 Approval of today's agenda and summoning

Today's agenda and summoning was approved without objection.

2041.2 Approval of the previous meeting report

1 Reports are uploaded to our homepage (<http://www.studentdemokratiet.no>) a week after
2 each Student Parliament Meeting. If you need a paper copy of the report please get in touch
3 with the Student Board at their office (The Clock building)
4 Previous meeting report was approved without objection.
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6 2041.3 Appointment of a Counting Committee

7 1. Aurora Hansen

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9 2. Børge Falleth Høysæter

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11 3. Magnus Stirø

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13 Constitution of the Control Committee for today's meeting

14 Ane Magnussen

15 Lise Benette Nilsen Hovd

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17 The Control committee was approved.

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20 2042 Orientation cases

21 2042.1 Minutes

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23 The minutes shall be made known to the public within 12.00 the Thursday before Student
24 Parliament.

25 This is done to get the most updated minutes, and minimize paper usage. Copies of each
26 minutes will be printed out and kept at the Student Democracy office, together with the case
27 papers from the current Student Parliament. The reports will be sent on email to the Student
28 Parliament representatives on Thursday before Student Parliament.

29 Those who report to the Student Parliament through minutes are:

- 30 - The Student Board (AU)
- 31 - The University Board (US)
- 32 - The Education Board (SU)
- 33 - Student Welfare Organization in Ås (SiÅs)
- 34 - Student and Academics international helping fund (SAIH)
- 35 - International Student Union (ISU)

- 36 - The Research Board (FU)
- 37 - The Learning Environment Committee (LMU)
- 38 - Erasmus Student Network (ESN)

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40 Clarifying questions were answered.

41 The reports to Student Parliament were approved after clarifying questions.

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45 2042.2 Measures for bettering the learning environment

46 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

47 **Purpose:**

48 It is stated in « Framework for the Working year for the Student Democracy that the Student
49 Parliament shall make suggest input for LMU measures. These funds have in the past been
50 financed by fees from delayed censorship, however the arrangement with fee at delayed
51 censorship has ceased exist, and this is an orientation into that.

52

53 **Background:**

54 The UH-law states strict demands to that censorship deadlines are upheld, and the way the law
55 is formulated today, it is only the board itself that can approve extended censorship deadlines
56 beyond three weeks for topics. NMBU decided in 2008 an arrangement with fees for delayed
57 censorship. Funds from these fees have been earmarked smaller learning environment
58 measures. The students themselves have been active in the application processes for current
59 measures. The introductions of the arrangement in 2008 led to a reduction in number of topics
60 with delayed censorship the first years, but the last years, the number and topics with delayed
61 censorship have been stabile and relatively low.

62

63 Even if the means derived from the sanctions have contributed to many fine smaller learning
64 environment measures, the arrangement does not prevent some topics to have delayed
65 censorship every year. Recently there has been a great development in the digitalization of
66 exams, and censorship can now be registered on more platforms and by several different
67 people (both professionals and administrative staff). Different systems and more flexibility are
68 essentially an advantage for the students, but flexibility and different systems have made it
69 more resource-intensive to follow up and quality assure the arrangement. Developed standard
70 reports in a common student system does not take account of increased grade of flexibility, and
71 assumes complete streamlined routines for censorship registration.

72 The arrangement with fees at delayed censorship ceases with effect from today. The Faculties
73 will not be fined for eventual delayed fees from the calendar year 2019 or spring 2020.

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75 In the budget conference it will be posted input to earmark a permanent sum to smaller
76 measures, and our wish is that this can be done on a yearly basis. It will be more predictable
77 which amount can be used each year, and we will as a result of this have a new orientation
78 about the allocation of smaller learning environment measures.

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80 The Student Board informed the student parliament about the smaller learning measures.
81 Clarifying questions were answered.

82

83 The student parliament considers itself orientated about the case.

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86 2042.3 Report from the Buddy General about the Buddy Week

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88 Buddy Week 2020 report

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90 The Buddy week 2020 is now over, and we have had arrangements on both our campus in Ås
91 and Adamstuen. The situation has been quite demanding, but the Buddy Board is very pleased
92 to have completed a Buddy week which was safe regarding infections control, and contributed
93 to that people got in a good mood. The cooperation with the university has been good, with
94 support and trust both ways. However, there are some issues worth emphasizing:

95

96 **Continuation of last year`s measures:**

97 Last year, a Buddy Board was formed, which consists of the Buddy Leaders, SiT, SiÅs, AU, the
98 person responsible for arrangements at Samfunnet and the head of Security at NMBU.

99 The buddy board has proven to be very beneficial and should absolutely be continued. Another
100 measure that is continued is cloud storage. This has ensure very efficient storage, and can also
101 be used in an even larger scale in the future.

102 A secretary has also this year been appointed, which has been a big contributor to lighten the
103 workload. This is a measure that should be continued, but it can appear insecurities due to the
104 unformal the system is today.

105 The Buddy Board has also introduced systematized Buddy week email, which makes it easier
106 to communicate.

107

108 **New measures:**

109 This year, new routines for complaints and notifications within the Buddy Week have been
110 introduced. A result of this will hopefully be that it will be easier to process complaints, the
111 process shall be more see-through, as well as privacy issues shall be maintained. It is important
112 the future Buddy Generals are given a thorough introduction into these routines.

113

114 It has been developed a new system for sign up for the Buddy Week in an online form. This has
115 proven to very efficient, as well as keeping in line with the strict privacy regulations within
116 GDPR. It is recommended to continue this arrangement, unless something better is developed.

117

118 Several smaller measures were introduced in order to ensure that the infection control
119 measures were followed. Amongst others limited number of alcohol units for buddies, max 4
120 units or 1 unit per hour. We had extra sober security, the university started to dispatch
121 security guards to Pentagon and in order to reduce unwanted attention from neighbors, size
122 limitation for loudspeakers were introduced.

123

124 **Cooperation with NMBU**

125 The last case I would like to mention is the cooperation with NMBU. It has been a need for a lot
126 of support from the university, amongst others to distribute the responsibility for the Buddy
127 Week. The university has done a great job, and has been supportive I dialogs with the
128 neighbors and the media. This has not been formalized in any way, and that has led to
129 insecurities. This insecurity has been a relative heavy weight in spite of the good cooperation.

130

131 All in all, the Buddy Week has been a success, with a lot of experiences that we can take with us
132 for future Buddy weeks.

133

134 The Buddy General orientated about the Buddy Week.

135

136 Clarifying questions were answered.

137 The Student Parliament considers itself oriented about the case.
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140 2043 Decision Cases

141 2043.1 Revision of the statutes for the Student Parliament

142 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

- 143
- 144 Attachment 1 Current Statutes for the Student Parliament
- 145 Attachment 2 Proposed new Statutes for the Student Parliament
- 146 Attachment 3 Student Council model
- 147 Attachment 4 The democracy model
- 148 Attachment 5 Explanation of the democracy model

149 **Purpose:**

150 To approve the revision of the Statutes for the Student Parliament at NMBU

152

153 **Background:**

154 Because the Student Board now has a new composition, the Student Board suggests that the
155 old composition is removed from the Statutes' §4-2 Composition, as well as § 5-3 Member of
156 the Student Board, which explains how the former members in part time positions were elected.

157

158 In this context it is suggested that the Student council model and the democracy model are
159 implemented in the Statutes rather than referring to separate decisions as has been done before.

160

161 The student Council model, attachment 3, is to be included in §2-2 Faculty level. Democracy
162 model, attachment 4, is to be included in §3-2 Composition.

163

164 I § 3-11 Position resignation the sentence is changed to that the student parliament
165 representatives do not resign from their place in the Student Parliament until they start in
166 their new positions. The paragraph will no longer entail the SiÅs board, as there are very few
167 cases that involves SiÅs that are in conflict with the Student Board. If there are such cases the
168 §6-1 Habitability will apply for the student parliament representatives that also are
169 representatives in the SiÅs board.

170

171 In §7-4 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by Electronic Ballot Voting, the
172 sentence will be changed to state that it refers to § 5-2c and not §5-2 b in the Statutes.

173

174 Suggestion to be stricken is marked with a strikethrough in attachment 2, like this: ~~suggestion.~~

175 New text is marked in green in attachment 2, like this: **Increase the student aid to fifty**
176 **thousand a month.**

177

178 Suggested changes to the Statutes shall cf. §11-1 be in the hands of the Student Parliament 14
179 days before the meeting where the changes are to be processed at the latest. They are also to
180 be made known for all students by posting 7 days before the meeting takes place at the latest.

181

182 **Suggested decision:**

183 The Student Parliament approves the changes.

184

185 The Student Board orientated about the case.

186
187 There are 24 people able to vote.
188
189 Vote:
190 The Student Boards proposal is the base, the changes are in green and the suggested strikes are
191 what is to be voted for.
192
193 §Paragraph 2.2 lines 770 – 779 in the case document are an addition, and lines 780 – 781 are a
194 suggested strike.
195 For: 22
196 Against: 2
197 Abstinent: 0
198 The changes were approved.
199
200 §Paragraph 3.2 lines 814 – 818 in the case documents are an addition.
201 For: 23
202 Against: 0
203 Abstinent: 1
204 The suggested addition was approved.
205
206 §Paragraph 3.11 line 905 and line 909 are to be voted for separately.
207 Suggested change in line 905 in the case document
208 For: 24
209 Against: 0
210 Abstinent: 0
211 The suggested change was approved.
212
213 Suggested strike, line 909 in the case documents
214 For: 2
215 Against: 21
216 Abstinent: 1
217 The suggested strike was not approved.
218
219 §Paragraph 4.2 suggested strike of the first part of the paragraph.
220 KK: Since this is a timed suggested strike, there is no need to vote over it.
221 The student parliament decided that it was an editorial change.
222
223 §Paragraph 5.3 suggested strike of the whole paragraph line 980 – 986 in the case documents
224 For: 24
225 Against: 0
226 Abstinent: 0
227 The suggested strike was unanimously approved.
228
229 §Paragraph 7.4 line, 1046 in the case documents is a change of a reference
230 For: 24
231 Against: 0
232 Abstinent: 0
233 The suggested change was unanimously approved.
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236

237 **Decision:**
238 The Statues as a whole, including the changes made by the Student Board presented at his
239 meeting was approved.
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241

242 **2043.2 Revision of the Framework for the working year for the Student**
243 **Parliament**

244 *Case responsible: The Student Board*
245

246 Attachment 6 Current Framework for the working year for the Student Parliament
247 Attachment 7 Proposed new Framework for the working year for the Student Parliament
248

249 **Purpose:**
250 Approve a new framework for the working year of the Student Parliament
251

252 **Background:**
253 Today student representatives to the University Study Committee are elected at Student Parliament 5
254 in October with start immediately. This leads to difficulties for students who are starting their last
255 year of studies to run for election. If the election is moved to Student Parliament 3, the position will
256 follow the study year, as do similar central positions.
257

258
259 Suggestion to be stricken is marked with a strikethrough in attachment 7, like this: ~~suggestion.~~
260 New text is marked in green in attachment 7, like this: **The principal shall be elected at Student**
261 **parliament 4.**
262

263 **Suggested decision:**
264 The Student Parliament approves as stated in attachment 7.
265

266 The Student Board gave an orientation of the case.
267

268 Clarifying questions were answered.

269 There was no debate.
270

271 **Vote:**
272 There are 23 people that can vote at this election.
273 The document is to be voted for as a whole.
274

275 For: 23
276 Against: 0
277 Abstinent: 0
278

279 **Decision:**
280 The Framework for the working year of the Student parliament as a whole was unanimously
281 approved.
282
283

284 **2043.3 Environmental political document**

285 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

286 Attachment 8 Environmental political document

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288 **Purpose:**

289 Approve the Environmental Political Document

290

291 **Background**

292 In the plan of action for 2020 approved by the Student Parliamen it says that: 3.8 Make a plan
293 and start working som that the Student Parliament can establish political documents or
294 platforms within areas policies are needed.

295

296 Political documents shall be processed at two Student Parliaments. Environmental Political
297 Document was discussed at Student Parliament 2 and suggested desicion was pushed from
298 Student Parliament 3 to Student Parliament 4 due to that SP 3 was digital.

299

300 The document are valid for five years, so the content shall be timeless enough so that it also
301 will make sense and be current in the future. It is desirable that the document will reflect the
302 entire student body regardless of their study program.

303

304 On the 17th of February, the Student Board established a sustainability committee, this
305 committee has been the main contributor to making this proposal. The sustainability
306 committee is an advisory committee, who's purpose is to make suggestions and input to the
307 Student Board, who submits the complete proposal to SP4.

308

309 **Proposed desicion:**

310 The Student Parliament approves the Environmental political document for the Student
311 Parliament at NMBU as presented in attachment 8.

312

313 The Student Board gave an orientation of the case. The sustainability committee has taken a
314 leading part in the development of this document.

315

315 There were no clarifying questions.

316 There was a faculty round. There was a debate about the document.

317

318 A line in the discussion was drawn before the brake.

319 For this case there are 23 representatives able to vote.

320

321 **Proposal 4**

322 Proposer: Marthe Ahlgren Hansen

323 Suggested change, Remove the deadline

324 Original text:

325 All NMBU vehicles, with the exception of agricultural machinery, must be fossil-free within
326 the end of 2022

327 New text

328 All NMBU's vehicles, with the exception of agricultural machinery, shall be fossil free for future
329 purchases.

330

331 Vote:
332 For: 19
333 Against: 4
334 Abstinent: 0
335 The suggested change was approved
336

337 **Proposal 12**

338 Proposer: Ingvild Munz
339 Suggested addition: "needs based"
340 Original text
341 There will be a parking fee on campus
342 New text
343 Investigate a parking fee on campus with needs-based exceptions
344

345 Vote:
346 For 10
347 Against: 12
348 Abstinent: 1
349 The suggested addition was not approved
350

351 **Proposal 11**

352 Proposer: Ingvild Munz
353 Suggested strike: Remove vegetarian norm
354 Original text
355 NMBU will only serve food with a low or positive climate footprint, including focusing on
356 increased use of locally produced food and introducing vegan norm at all events under the
357 auspices of the university

358 New text
359 NMBU will only serve food with a low or positive climate footprint, including focusing on
360 locally produced, and seasonal food at all events under the auspices of the university.
361

362 Vote:
363 For: 11
364 Against: 10
365 Abstinent: 2

366 For these cases it is a general majority that counts, which means that there is a need for a 50% vote in
367 order to get the suggestion approved.

368 The suggested strike was not approved.

369

370 **Proposal 15**

371 Proposer: Ingvild Munz

372 Suggested strike, remove guarantee of origin

373 Original text

374 NMBU will phase out all use of fossil fuels for heating during 2021, and during. through smart
375 environmental management of buildings reduce energy consumption by 10%. All purchased
376 electricity shall have a guarantee of origin

377 New text

378 NMBU shall phase out all use of fossil fuels for heating during 2021, and during. through smart
379 environmental management of buildings reduce energy consumption by 10%.

380

381 Vote:

382 For: 6

383 Against: 15

384 Abstinent: 2

385 The suggested strike was not approved.

386

387 **Proposal 8**

388 Proposer: Jens Bartnes

389 Suggested strike, remove the word "nature"

390 Original text

391 NMBU must have a zero target for the degradation of nature, topsoil and bogs

392 New text

393 NMBU must have a zero target for degradation of topsoil and bog."

394

395 Vote:

396 For: 6

397 Against: 11

398 Abstinent: 6

399 The suggested strike was not approved-

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402 **Proposal 1**

403 Proposer: Ida Løken

404 Suggested change, focus on education with a different climate

405 Original text:

406 Sustainability must be implemented as part of the curriculum in all courses

407 New text

408 Sustainability must be implemented as part of the curriculum, and the focus must be on how a
409 different climate will affect the course.

410

411 Vote:

412 For: 11

413 Against: 10

414 Abstinent: 2

415 The suggested change was not approved.

416

417 **Proposal 9**

418 Proposer: Jens Bartnes

419 Suggested addition: convert «all topics» to «all topics where appropriate»

420 Original text:

421 Sustainability must be implemented as part of the curriculum in all subjects

422 New text

423 Sustainability will be implemented as part of the curriculum in all subjects where it is
424 appropriate.

425

426 Vote:

427 For: 13

428 Against: 10

429 Abstinent: 0

430 The suggested addition was approved

431

432 Proposal 13 was stricken shall not be voted over.

433

434 **Proposal 6**

435 Proposer: Marthe Ahlgren

436 Suggested change, Turn the sentence over so that the focus is different

437 Original text

438 All exams must be digital, as long as it is appropriate.

439 New text

440 As far as it is suitable, all exams shall be digital.

441

442 Vote:

443 For: 18

444 Against: 1

445 Abstinent: 4

446 The suggested change was approved

447

448 **Proposal 10**

449 Suggested strike, "and be included in" and reformulate so that it makes sense

450 Original text

451 "Sustainability must be an overriding goal and included in all research at NMBU

452 New text

453 Sustainability must be an overarching goal of research at NMBU."

454

455 Vote:

456 For: 20

457 Against: 1

458 Abstinent: 2

459 The suggested strike was approved.

460

461 **Proposal 2**

462 Proposer: Ida Løken

463 Suggested addition, a bullet point for reusing furniture

464 New text

465 Ensure that an offer is created to change furniture, such as an exchange tent / exchange hall or

466 the like. Preferably as a collaboration between Ås municipality and SiÅs. SiÅs is expected to

467 take responsibility for such an offer.

468

469 Vote:

470 For: 21

471 Against: 0

472 Abstinent: 2

473 The suggested addition was approved

474

475 **Proposal 7**

476 Proposer: Rakel Tzeng-Ohn Steensen

477 Suggested change, replace the word environment with sustainability

478 Original text

479 When designing new buildings, the environment must be a weighting factor

480 New text:

481 When designing new buildings, sustainability must be a weighting factor.

482

483 Vote:

484 For: 19

485 Against: 4

486 Abstinent: 0

487 The suggested change was approved.

488

489 Proposal 14 was withdrawn, shall not be voted over.

490

491 **Proposal 3**
492 Suggested addition, include climate and the environment
493 Original text
494 SiÅs will prepare an action plan to reduce food waste and have a surplus food scheme
495 New text:

496 SiÅs will prepare an action plan for climate and environment, including a strategy to reduce
497 food waste and have a scheme for surplus food

498
499 Vote:

500 For: 21

501 Against: 1

502 Abstinent: 1

503 The suggested addition was approved.

504

505 The environmental political document as a whole, including the changes brought forward at
506 this meeting:

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508 Vote:

509 For: 21

510 Against: 2

511 Abstinent: 0

512

513 **Decision:**

514 The environmental political document was approved.

515

516 2044 Discussion Cases

517 2044.1 Learning Environment document

518 *Case responsible: Tilde Dalberg*

519 **Purpose:**

520 To discuss what the Student Parliament wants to include in the political document about the
521 learning environment. Input to the final document are requested from the Student Parliament.
522 The document is to be approved at SP 5.

523

524 **Background:**

525 In the plan of action approved by the Student Parliament it is stated:“ 3.8 Make a plan and start
526 working so that the Student Parliament can establish political documents og platforms within
527 areas policies are needed.

528 We shall therefore introduce political documents, and the learning environment document is
529 an example og that. Political documents are to be processed over two student Parliaments.

530 We will be discussing the content of the learning environment document at this student
531 parliament, and a final draft will be submitted to Student Parliament 5.

532 The document will be valid for five years, so the content shall be timeless enough to stand the
533 test of time int the future.

534

535 The student representatives in the learning environment committee have together with the
536 Student Board contributed in the making of the moments for discussion. The student

537 representatives in the learning environment committee will also make suggestions and enter
538 input to the Student Board, who will submit at complete proposal at SP5.

539

540 **Moments for discussion:**

- 541 • Which factors does a student need in order to learn well?
- 542 • What does it take to make lecture rooms and study hall places better?
- 543 • Which factors are important in order to improve digital lectures?
- 544 • What can be improved in the everyday life of a student in general?
- 545 • What larger learning environment measures should NMBU focus on?
- 546 • What would it take for students to feel well taken care of both by the university and
547 their fellow students?
- 548 • What should the political document focus on when it comes to universal design?

549

550 AU gave an orientation of the case

551

552 There were no clarifying questions.

553

554 There was a faculty round and a discussion about the document.

555

556 If someone have any suggestions please send them to Tilde in the Student Board.

557

558 The student parliament have discussed the document.

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560

561 **2045 Elections and appointments**

562 **2045.1 Election of leader for The Control committee**

563 *Case responsible: Election Committee*

564 **Purpose:**

565 To elect a leader to the control committee. This position lasts one year and goes into effect
566 immediately upon election.

567

568 **Background:**

569 The control committee is to be an advisory organ that is required to report to the Student
570 Parliament if there is a breach of the statutes, regulations, or rules of procedure. The
571 committee is required to attend the Student Parliament – at least two members must be
572 present, and one must be a part of the counting committee at the meeting.

573

574 **Candidates:**

575 Ane Magnussen

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577 The candidate presented herself. There were no questions.

578 The candidate was elected by acclamation.

579

580 2045.2 Election of representatives for The Control committee

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582 **Purpose:**

583 To elect 2 members to the control committee. This positions lasts one year and goes into effect
584 immediately upon election.

585

586 **Background:**

587 The control committee is to be an advisory organ that is required to report to the Student
588 Parliament if there is a breach of the statutes, regulations, or rules of procedure. The
589 committee is required to attend the Student Parliament – at least two members must be
590 present, and one must be a part of the counting committee at the meeting.

591

592 **Candidates:**

593 Lise Benette Nilsen Hovd

594 David Martens

595 The candidates presented themselves and were presented for the meeting. There were no
596 questions.

597 The candidates were elected by acclamation

598

599 2045.3 Election to the welfare funds committee

600 *Case responsible: The Election Committee*

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602 **Purpose:**

603 Elect two representatives for The Welfare Funds Committee

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605 **Background:**

606 The Welfare Funds Committee handles applications regarding welfare funds from student
607 unions and makes a proposal for Student Parliament. The committee has one meeting each
608 semester; one in the autumn to approve the remainder (8%) of the welfare funds, and one long
609 one in the spring to approve the ordinary welfare funds (92%).

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611 The committee consists of seven people: the Welfare Officer of the Student Board, the
612 International Officer of the Student Board, the Head of Finance at Samfunnet, one student
613 representative from the SiÅs-Board, one earlier member of the committee and two new
614 representatives elected at Student Parliament. The position is effective immediately upon
615 election and lasts for one year.

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617 **Candidates:**

618 Even August Bremnes Stokke

619 Pernille Høgli

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621 The candidates presented themselves. There were no questions.

622 The candidates were elected by acclamation.

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624 2045.4 Election of representatives for the Research and Ethics committee

625 **Purpose:**

626 To elect two main representatives and two substitute representatives to the Research and
627 Ethics Committee. The positions last 1 year, effective immediately.

628 **Background:**

629 The Research and Ethics Committee is primarily an advisory committee that gives input on
630 ethical questions connected to research, teaching, administration, and a driving force in raising
631 the ethical awareness of all employees at NMBU.

632 The Research and Ethics Committee can be assigned tasks, like approving research projects,
633 and shall contribute to ensuring that research ethics are systematically incorporated in the
634 education of both scientists and candidates in general at NMBU.

635 The committee can treat cases on initiative from students and employees. The position is paid.

636 **Candidates:**

637 Kim André Nielsen

638 Bjørnar Djupevik Hagen

639 Brin Chelina Sasangen

640 Charlotte Eikeskog Ravnås

641 The candidates presented themselves. There were no questions.

642 Written election

643 **Main representatives:**

644 Bjørnar Djupevik Hagen was elected as main representative

645 Charlotte Eikeskog Ravnås was elected as main representative

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647 **Substitutes:**

648 The remaining candidates wished to run for substitutes. The representatives were elected by
649 acclamation.

650 Kim Andre Nielsen was elected as substitute

651 Brin Chelina Sasangen was elected as substitute

652 **2046 Other Cases**

653 There were no other cases.

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656 **2047 Meeting Evaluation**

657 The meeting was evaluated.

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659 The president of the Student Board ended the meeting.

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662 2048 Attachments

663 2048.1 Attachment 1: Current statutes for the Student Parliament

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665 **Statutes for the Student Democracy at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences**

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798 **§ 3-10 Electronic Voting**

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801 is within 7 days.
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803 Electronic voting cannot be used to vote on matters concerning the following:

- 804 - Elections
 - 805 - Cases of mistrust
 - 806 - Changing to the Student Parliament's committee documents and instructions
 - 807 - Appointment of the student representatives to councils and committees
 - 808 - Other matters of considerable nature
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810 Main Student Parliament Representatives have voting rights with electronic voting.
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812 Electronic voting cannot take place if one or some student parliament representatives wish to handle
813 the case at a normal student parliament before the deadline. The desire must be justified.

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§ 3-11 Position Resignation

The Student Parliament representatives automatically resign from their position in the Student Parliament when they are elected to the following organs:

- The Student Parliament's Student Board
- The University Board
- The SiÅs Board
- The Student Board of the Norwegian Student Organization
- The Control Committee

With position resignation, the position holder's deputy representative automatically inherits the position as a main representative.

Position resignation, a supplementary election will be conducted in accordance with § 5-5

§3-12 Temporary Position Resignation

In the case of partiality, there will be a temporary place resignation. This means that the representative withdraws from their position in cases where it applies. In the case of temporary place resignation the deputy will take over cf. § 6-1

Chapter 4: The Student Parliament's Student Board

§ 4-1 Powers and Functions

The Student Board (AU) carries out the Student Parliament's daily operations and represents the Student Parliament between meetings. AU can make decisions in urgent cases, cases that are delegated due to earlier decisions in the Student Parliament, and appoint people to non-decision making committees. AU makes proposals in all cases handled by the Student Parliament, with the exception of Elections.

§ 4-2 Composition

The Student Parliament's Student Board shall consist of the following members:

- President
- Vice President
- Welfare Officer
- International Officer
- Marketing Officer
- Committee Member

The Student Parliament's Student Board shall consist of the following members from 01.07.2020

- President
- Student Board member
- Student Board member.

The Student Board constitutes their areas of responsibility internally.

Working time and election periods are regulated according to functions § 5-1.

§ 4-3 Decision Ability and Voting Ties

The Student Board can make valid decisions when at least four members are in attendance. With a voting tie in the Student Board, the president has a double vote.

Chapter 5: Elections and Appointments

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§ 5-1 Eligibility for the Student Democracy

The overarching rule is that all Students at NMBU with a valid semester registration can run for positions in the Student Democracy. This applies unless otherwise specified.

§ 5-2 Electronic Ballot Elections

a) Election of the Student Parliament's Student Board

The Student Parliament's Student Board are elected through Electronic Ballot Voting, where all students with a valid semester registration have the right to vote. The elections take place in April every year. They hold their position for 1 year, between 1.7. until 30.6.

b) Election to the University Board

Two student representatives are elected, one of each gender, with a deputy. They are chosen through an electronic ballot vote, where all students with a valid semester registration have the right to vote. The election takes place every year in April/May for female representatives, and in November for male representatives. They hold the position for one year, from 01.07 to 30.06 for the spring election, and 01.01-31.12 for the fall election.

c) Elections to the Faculty Board

Student Representatives are chosen through electronic ballot voting, where all students with a valid semester registration have the right to vote within their respective faculties. They hold the position for one year, from 01.01-31.12 for male representatives (elected in November) and 01.07-30.06 for female representatives (elected in April/May).

§ 5-3 Members of the Student Board

Members of the Student Parliament's Student Board, other than the president and vice president, are elected by the Student Parliament. The elections take place at the constituent student parliament. They hold the position for one year, between 1.1. until 31.12. The elections are carried out through written ballot voting, and decided with an absolute majority. If none of the candidates receive an absolute majority, a new voting round will be conducted with the two candidates who received the most votes in the first round.

§ 5-4 Other elections and appointments conducted in the Student Parliament

The Student Parliament elects student representatives to central positions and committees at NMBU, to individual committees and to the board for student welfare organization. All elections are done by writing. In the case that only one candidate is running, they can be elected by acclamation, unless at least one representative wishes to have a written voting process.

With a tie in voting between two candidates, a new voting round will be held. With a continued tie after a new voting round, the decision will be made according to the proposed resolution. If there is no suggestion made the decision will be made by drawing lots. Those chosen in this paragraph have minute requirements to the Student Parliament.

Student Representatives that are not connected to the Student Welfare Organization in Ås (SiÅs) do not have voting rights for the representatives of The SiÅs Board.

§ 5-5 Supplementary Elections

Normally, a supplementary election will be held in the case of place resignation. Supplementary elections follow the same election rules as normal elections. This can be adjusted in cases of urgent votes, or other reasons in which it is appropriate.

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Chapter 6: Impartiality

§ 6-1 Impartiality

For someone to be “partial” entails that there are circumstances that are likely to cause bias in the person’s judgment. This can happen when a person is a part of a case or has strong personal consequences from the results of a case, or has close family with the previously mentioned.

In order to have good administrative practices, questions of partiality must be strict. This means that a lot must happen to name a representative partial. Those that are named partial must temporarily resign from the case, cf. § 3-12.

Cases of partiality are handled with a 50% majority voting from the relevant organ, and the person in question cannot vote. If more than one person in a case is questioned about partiality, none of the involved can partake in voting about their own or others’ partiality, unless the organ is no longer a decision making organ in the case. In this case, all meeting members can participate.

Chapter 7: Mistrust

§ 7-1 Mistrust

Issues of mistrust can be brought up by Student Parliament representatives or other organs of the Student Democracy, and should be delivered to the Student Parliament’s organizational secretary. When handling these issues at the student parliament, the one that the case is brought up against has the opportunity to present their own case.

§ 7-2 Ability to ask for a statement from the control committee

If cases where mistrust are brought forward, both parties can ask for a statement from the control committee in sufficient time before the case is handled.

§ 7-3 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by the student parliament

With a 2/3 majority vote amongst representatives in attendance, the student parliament can decide that an officer is mistrusted, following statutes §§ 5-1 second paragraph, and 5-3. Those who are deemed distrusted must immediately resign as an appointee from the student parliament

§ 7-4 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by Electronic Ballot Voting

With issues of mistrust against representatives chosen through electronic ballot voting after statutes §§ 5-2 a and b, it is handled first by the Student Parliament. If it is proposed by a qualified majority amongst representatives in attendance, it will be handled through an electronic ballot vote where all students with a valid semester registration have the right to vote. The approval of the mistrust requires at least a 50% majority of votes. Those who have cases of mistrust approved against them must resign immediately from their position.

Cases of mistrust cannot be taken against student representatives in the University Board, as it goes against *Lov om universiteter og høyskoler* § 9-8. (The laws for Universities and Higher schools)

Chapter 8: Documents

§ 8-1 Documents approved by Student Parliament

The following documents are to be approved by the Student Parliament:

- Statutes
- Program of Principles

- 968 - Political documents
- 969 - Decrees/Resolutions
- 970 - Economic regulations
- 971 - Plan of Action
- 972 - Budget
- 973 - Schedule
- 974 - Working instructions for the Control Committee
- 975 - Working Instructions for the Student Board.
- 976 - Instructions for the Rules of Procedure and Agenda.
- 977 - Instructions for Elections of the Student Board and other elections.

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979 **§ 8-1-1 Statutes**

980 The statutes outrank all other management documents.
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982 **§ 8-1-2 Program of Principles**

983 The Program of Principles determines the organization’s ground principles and executive political
984 priorities. The Program of Principles outranks the rest of the Student Parliament’s politics.
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986 The Program of Principles shall be treated every 3rd year. The Student Parliament can choose to treat
987 the Program of Principles at any time. The Program of Principles shall be treated in two student
988 parliament meetings: with a discussion case in the first meeting and a decision case in the second
989 meeting.
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991 **§ 8-1-3 Political documents**

992 Political documents determine what the Student Parliament thinks of a certain topic. These shall not
993 go against the Program of Principles, but outside of this, political documents outrank the rest of the
994 Student Parliament’s politics. A document is valid for 5 years. Political documents shall be treated in
995 two student parliament meetings: with a discussion case in the first meeting, and a decision case in
996 the second meeting.
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998 **§ 8-2 Instructions for the Student Councils**

999 The Student Parliament adopts a standardized instruction for the composition of student councils at
1000 NMBU. The Student parliament decides the structure and composition of Student Councils. The
1001 Student Councils have the power to make their own local instructions, but not remove or change the
1002 composition without approval from the Student Parliament.
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1004 **§ 8-3 Other Instructions**

1005 The Student Parliament can approve of other instructions as needed.
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1008 **Chapter 9: Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU**

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1011 Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU must be approved of with a qualified majority
1012 amongst present representatives for two consecutive student parliaments. The decision goes into
1013 effect after the second meeting is adjourned. Proposals for dissolution must be made at least 4 weeks
1014 before it is handled for the first time, and the first student parliament meeting that handles the case is
1015 to be an open meeting where all students at NMBU are called in.
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1017 **§ 9-2 Merging with Other Student Democracies**

1018 Merging of the Student Democracy at NMBU with other student democracies must be approved of
1019 with a qualified majority amongst representatives in attendance for two consecutive meetings.
1020 Proposals for merging must specify the point in time at which the merge will take place.
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1022 **Chapter 10: Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

1023 1024 **§ 10-1 Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

1025 The Student Democracy at NMBU is a member of the Norwegian student organization (NSO).
1026 Withdrawal must follow the protocol of NSOs statutes.
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1028 **Chapter 11: Amendments to the Statues**

1029 1030 **§ 11-1 Submitting of Amendment Proposals**

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1032 Proposals for amendments of these statutes should be taken to the Student Parliament's Student
1033 Board at least 14 days before the meeting in which they will be addressed, and needs to be made
1034 public to all students at least 7 days before the meeting.
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1036 **§ 11-2 Decisions and Effectiveness**

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1039 decide that changes go into effect immediately after they are adopted
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1045 **Chapter 12: Definitions**

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1049 Simple Majority: This means that a proposal receives the most votes
1050 50% majority: This means that a proposal receives more than ½ of the votes from participating
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1220 Electronic voting cannot be used to vote on matters concerning the following:

- 1221 - Elections
- 1222 - Cases of mistrust
- 1223 - Changing to the Student Parliament's committee documents and instructions
- 1224 - Appointment of the student representatives to councils and committees
- 1225 - Other matters of considerable nature

1226 Main Student Parliament Representatives have voting rights with electronic voting.

1227 Electronic voting cannot take place if one or some student parliament representatives wish to
1228 handle the case at a normal student parliament before the deadline. The desire must be
1229 justified.

1230 **§ 3-11 Position Resignation**

1231 The Student Parliament representatives automatically resign from their position in the Student
1232 Parliament when they are elected **the position they are elected to starts** in the following
1233 organs:

- 1234 - The Student Parliament's Student Board
- 1235 - The University Board
- 1236 - ~~The SiÅs Board~~
- 1237 - The Student Board of the Norwegian Student Organization
- 1238 - The Control Committee

1239 With position resignation, the position holder's deputy representative automatically inherits
1240 the position as a main representative.

1241 Position resignation, a supplementary election will be conducted in accordance with § 5-5

1242 **§3-12 Temporary Position Resignation**

1243 In the case of partiality, there will be a temporary place resignation. This means that the
1244 representative withdraws from their position in cases where it applies. In the case of
1245 temporary place resignation the deputy will take over cf. § 6-1

1246 **Chapter 4: The Student Parliament's Student Board**

1247 **§ 4-1 Powers and Functions**

1248 The Student Board (AU) carries out the Student Parliament's daily operations and represents
1249 the Student Parliament between meetings. AU can make decisions in urgent cases, cases that
1250 are delegated due to earlier decisions in the Student Parliament, and appoint people to non-

1260 decision making committees. AU makes proposals in all cases handled by the Student
1261 Parliament, with the exception of Elections.

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1263 **§ 4-2 Composition**

1264 ~~The Student Parliament's Student Board shall consist of the following members:~~

- 1265 ~~–President~~
1266 ~~–Vice President~~
1267 ~~–Welfare Officer~~
1268 ~~–International Officer~~
1269 ~~–Marketing Officer~~
1270 ~~–Committee Member~~

1271
1272 The Student Parliament's Student Board shall consist of the following members ~~from~~
1273 ~~01.07.2020~~

- 1274 - President
1275 - Student Board member
1276 - Student Board member.

1277 The Student Board constitutes their areas of responsibility internally.

1278
1279 Working time and election periods are regulated according to functions § 5-1.

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1282 **§ 4-3 Decision Ability and Voting Ties**

1283 The Student Board can make valid decisions when at least four members are in attendance.
1284 With a voting tie in the Student Board, the president has a double vote.

1285
1286 **Chapter 5: Elections and Appointments**

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1288 **§ 5-1 Eligibility for the Student Democracy**

1289 The overarching rule is that all Students at NMBU with a valid semester registration can run for
1290 positions in the Student Democracy. This applies unless otherwise specified.

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1292 **§ 5-2 Electronic Ballot Elections**

1293
1294 a) Election of the Student Board

1295 The Student Parliament's Student Board are elected through Electronic Ballot Voting, where all
1296 students with a valid semester registration have the right to vote. The elections take place in
1297 April every year. They hold their position for 1 year, between 1.7. until 30.6.

1298
1299 b) Election to the University Board

1300 Two student representatives are elected, one of each gender, with a deputy. They are chosen
1301 through an electronic ballot vote, where all students with a valid semester registration have
1302 the right to vote. The election takes place every year in April/May for female representatives,
1303 and in November for male representatives. They hold the position for one year, from 01.07 to
1304 30.06 for the spring election, and 01.01-31.12 for the fall election.

1305
1306 c) Elections to the Faculty Board

1307 Student Representatives are chosen through electronic ballot voting, where all students with a
1308 valid semester registration have the right to vote within their respective faculties. They hold

1309 the position for one year, from 01.01-31.12 for male representatives (elected in November)
1310 and 01.07-30.06 for female representatives (elected in April/May).

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1312 **§ 5-3 Members of the Student Board**

1313 ~~Members of the Student Parliament's Student Board, other than the president and vice~~
1314 ~~president, are elected by the Student Parliament. The elections take place at the constituent~~
1315 ~~student parliament. They hold the position for one year, between 1.1. until 31.12. The elections~~
1316 ~~are carried out through written ballot voting, and decided with an absolute majority. If none of~~
1317 ~~the candidates receive an absolute majority, a new voting round will be conducted with the~~
1318 ~~two candidates who received the most votes in the first round.~~

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1320 **§ 5-4 Other elections and appointments conducted in the Student Parliament**

1321 The Student Parliament elects student representatives to central positions and committees at
1322 NMBU, to individual committees and to the board for student welfare organization. All
1323 elections are done by writing. In the case that only one candidate is running, they can be
1324 elected by acclamation, unless at least one representative wishes to have a written voting
1325 process.

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1327 With a tie in voting between two candidates, a new voting round will be held. With a continued
1328 tie after a new voting round, the decision will be made according to the proposed resolution. If
1329 there is no suggestion made the decision will be made by drawing lots. Those chosen in this
1330 paragraph have minute requirements to the Student Parliament.

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1332 Student Representatives that are not connected to the Student Welfare Organization in Ås
1333 (SiÅs) do not have voting rights for the representatives of The SiÅs Board.

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1335 **§ 5-5 Supplementary Elections**

1336 Normally, a supplementary election will be held in the case of place resignation.
1337 Supplementary elections follow the same election rules as normal elections. This can be
1338 adjusted in cases of urgent votes, or other reasons in which it is appropriate.

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1340 **Chapter 6: Impartiality**

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1342 **§ 6-1 Impartiality**

1343 For someone to be "partial" entails that there are circumstances that are likely to cause bias in
1344 the person's judgment. This can happen when a person is a part of a case or has strong
1345 personal consequences from the results of a case, or has close family with the previously
1346 mentioned.

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1348 In order to have good administrative practices, questions of partiality must be strict. This
1349 means that a lot must happen to name a representative partial. Those that are named partial
1350 must temporarily resign from the case, cf. § 3-12.

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1352 Cases of partiality are handled with a 50% majority voting from the relevant organ, and the
1353 person in question cannot vote. If more than one person in a case is questioned about
1354 partiality, none of the involved can partake in voting about their own or others' partiality,
1355 unless the organ is no longer a decision making organ in the case. In this case, all meeting
1356 members can participate.

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1358 **Chapter 7: Mistrust**

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1360 § 7-1 Mistrust

1361 Issues of mistrust can be brought up by Student Parliament representatives or other organs of
1362 the Student Democracy, and should be delivered to the Student Parliament's organizational
1363 secretary. When handling these issues at the student parliament, the one that the case is
1364 brought up against has the opportunity to present their own case.

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1366 § 7-2 Ability to ask for a statement from the control committee

1367 If cases where mistrust are brought forward, both parties can ask for a statement from the
1368 control committee in sufficient time before the case is handled.

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1370 § 7-3 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by the student parliament

1371 With a 2/3 majority vote amongst representatives in attendance, the student parliament can
1372 decide that an officer is mistrusted, following statutes §§ 5-1 second paragraph, and 5-3. Those
1373 who are deemed distrusted must immediately resign as an appointee from the student
1374 parliament

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1376 § 7-4 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by Electronic Ballot Voting

1377 With issues of mistrust against representatives chosen through electronic ballot voting after
1378 statutes §§ 5-2 a and b c, it is handled first by the Student Parliament. If it is proposed by a
1379 qualified majority amongst representatives in attendance, it will be handled through an
1380 electronic ballot vote where all students with a valid semester registration have the right to
1381 vote. The approval of the mistrust requires at least a 50% majority of votes. Those who have
1382 cases of mistrust approved against them must resign immediately from their position.

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1384 Cases of mistrust cannot be taken against student representatives in the University Board, as it
1385 goes against *Lov om universiteter og høyskoler* § 9-8. (The laws for Universities and Higher
1386 schools)

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1388 Chapter 8: Documents

1389

1390 § 8-1 Documents approved by Student Parliament

1391 The following documents are to be approved by the Student Parliament:

- 1392 - Statutes
- 1393 - Program of Principles
- 1394 - Political documents
- 1395 - Decrees/Resolutions
- 1396 - Economic regulations
- 1397 - Plan of Action
- 1398 - Budget
- 1399 - Schedule
- 1400 - Working instructions for the Control Committee
- 1401 - Working Instructions for the Student Board.
- 1402 - Instructions for the Rules of Procedure and Agenda.
- 1403 - Instructions for Elections of the Student Board and other elections.

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1405 § 8-1-1 Statutes

1406 The statutes outrank all other management documents.

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1408 § 8-1-2 Program of Principles

1409 The Program of Principles determines the organization's ground principles and executive
1410 political priorities. The Program of Principles outranks the rest of the Student Parliament's
1411 politics.
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1413 The Program of Principles shall be treated every 3rd year. The Student Parliament can choose
1414 to treat the Program of Principles at any time. The Program of Principles shall be treated in two
1415 student parliament meetings: with a discussion case in the first meeting and a decision case in
1416 the second meeting.
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1418 **§ 8-1-3 Political documents**

1419 Political documents determine what the Student Parliament thinks of a certain topic. These
1420 shall not go against the Program of Principles, but outside of this, political documents outrank
1421 the rest of the Student Parliament's politics. A document is valid for 5 years. Political
1422 documents shall be treated in two student parliament meetings: with a discussion case in the
1423 first meeting, and a decision case in the second meeting.
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1425 **§ 8-2 Instructions for the Student Councils**

1426 The Student Parliament adopts a standardized instruction for the composition of student
1427 councils at NMBU. The Student parliament decides the structure and composition of Student
1428 Councils. The Student Councils have the power to make their own local instructions, but not
1429 remove or change the composition without approval from the Student Parliament.
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1430 **§ 8-3 Other Instructions**

1431 The Student Parliament can approve of other instructions as needed.
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1433 **Chapter 9: Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU**

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1435 **§ 9-1 Dissolution**

1436 Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU must be approved of with a qualified majority
1437 amongst present representatives for two consecutive student parliaments. The decision goes
1438 into effect after the second meeting is adjourned. Proposals for dissolution must be made at
1439 least 4 weeks before it is handled for the first time, and the first student parliament meeting
1440 that handles the case is to be an open meeting where all students at NMBU are called in.
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1442 **§ 9-2 Merging with Other Student Democracies**

1443 Merging of the Student Democracy at NMBU with other student democracies must be approved
1444 of with a qualified majority amongst representatives in attendance for two consecutive
1445 meetings. Proposals for merging must specify the point in time at which the merge will take
1446 place.
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1448 **Chapter 10: Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

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1450 **§ 10-1 Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

1451 The Student Democracy at NMBU is a member of the Norwegian student organization (NSO).
1452 Withdrawal must follow the protocol of NSOs statutes.
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1454 **Chapter 11: Amendments to the Statues**

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1456 **§ 11-1 Submitting of Amendment Proposals**

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1458 Proposals for amendments of these statutes should be taken to the Student Parliament's
1459 Student Board at least 14 days before the meeting in which they will be addressed, and needs
1460 to be made public to all students at least 7 days before the meeting.

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1462 **§ 11-2 Decisions and Effectiveness**

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1464 With a qualified majority vote amongst representatives in attendance, the Student Parliament
1465 can decide that changes go into effect immediately after they are adopted

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1467 With a qualified majority, the Student Parliament can bring changed into effect. The Student
1468 Parliament's Student Board has the power to make editorial changes in these Statutes. Such
1469 changes must be presented for orientation during the first meeting after they are made.

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1471 **Chapter 12: Definitions**

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1473 **§ 12-1 Majority Voting**

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1475 Simple Majority: This means that a proposal receives the most votes

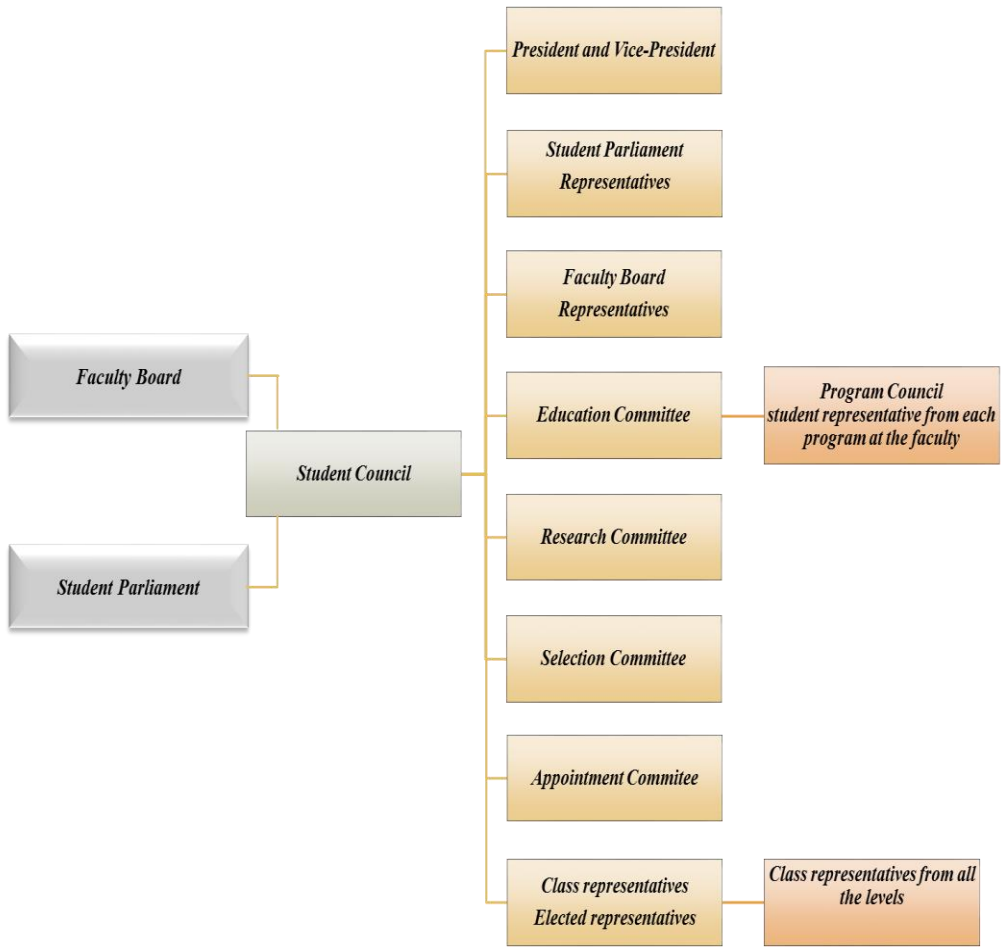
1476 50% majority: This means that a proposal receives more than ½ of the votes from participating
1477 voters

1478 Qualified Majority: This means that a proposal receives 2/3 or more of the votes from the
1479 participating voters

1480 Absolute Majority: A proposal receives more than ½ of the total number of votes

1481 Absolute Qualified Majority: A proposal receives 2/3 or more of the total number of votes

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1487 2048.4 Attachment 4 The democracy model

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1489 **New § 3-2 Composition, cf. Separate amendment**

1490 The faculties at NMBU are constituencies of the Student Parliament. The Student Parliament
1491 consists of 25 representatives. These representatives are distributed according to the
1492 Democracy Model; see the supplementary document.

1493 An updated number of students is retrieved from the Database for Statistics on Higher
1494 Education (DBH) every fall. The average number of student for the spring and fall semesters
1495 forms the basis for the distribution of representatives for the following year’s Student
1496 Parliament.

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1498 **Background**

1499 At the third workshop, the majority of participants wanted a distribution of Student Parliament
1500 seats that reflected the student body’s distribution. The committee has also prioritized this,
1501 and as a result came up with the Democracy Model. The model takes into account both large
1502 and small faculties, and the committee believes that this model has the capability to work well
1503 both now and in the future.

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1505 **The Distribution Based on the Number of Students in 2016:**

1506 The Calculation basis for the distribution plan is found in the Database for Statistics of Higher
1507 Education.

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Landscape and Society	Science and Technology	The Business School	Environmental Science and Nature Management	Chemistry, Biotechnology, and Food Sciences	Veterinary Medicine	Life Sciences
1190	1103	656	609	517	504	471
595	552	328	305	259	252	236
298	276	164	152	129	126	118
149	138	82	76	65	63	59
74	69	41	38	32	32	29

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1518 2048.5 Attachment 5 Explanation of the democracy model

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1520 Explanation of the democracy model

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1522 The distribution key in the democracy model is based on “ D’Hondts method”, but are
1523 somewhat adjusted for better suit the Student Parliament at NMBU.

1524 The following formula is set as a base for the distribution

$$\frac{V}{2^{s+1}}$$

V = Number of students at the Faculty

1531 S = Number of student parliament representatives the faculty has been
1532 awarded.

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1534 The democracy model distributes one representative at the time. The largest faculty after the
1535 calculation gets awarded a student parliament representative. In the first round the student
1536 mass are divided by 2^(0+1). If the Faculty receives a representative, the student mas will be
1537 divided into 4 (ex 2^(1+1)), and after that in 8 (ex 2^(2+1)), 16 (ex 2^(3+1)) etc. This is done
1538 until all the student parliament seats are distributed.

1539
1540 This will ensure that the number of representatives at student parliament will remain
1541 proportional to the student mas at the different faculties. Simultaneously it takes a lot for the
1542 small faculties to not get their first 2 representatives.

1543 Example without specific focus on NMBU:

1544 (5 faculties, total 2480 students and they shal only have 16 student parliament
1545 representatives)

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	Fac 1.	Fac 2.	Fac 3.	Fac 4.	Fac 5.
Student mass	1,240	480	300	260	200
Seat 1	1,240	480	300	260	200
Seat 2	620	480	300	260	200
Seat 3	310	480	300	260	200
Seat 4	310	240	300	260	200
Seat 5	155	240	300	260	200
Seat 6	155	240	150	260	200
Seat 7	155	240	150	130	200
Seat 8	155	120	150	130	200
Seat 9	155	120	150	130	100
Seat 10	77.5	120	150	130	100
Seat 11	77.5	120	75	130	100
Seat 12	77.5	120	75	65	100

Seat 13	77.5	60	75	65	100
Seat 14	77.5	60	75	65	50
Seat 15	38.75	60	75	65	50
Seat 16	38.75	60	37.5	65	50
	Fac 1.	Fac 2.	Fac 3.	Fac 4.	Fac 5.
Total number og seats	5	3	3	3	2

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As you can see in the example you get more representatives the larger the faculty is, however the small faculties also receives their representatives. Even if fac 1 has half the students at the university, they do not get more then 5 of the total 16 representatives. The democracy model ensures votes to the diversity, but at the same time ensures that the larger faculties have the majority vote.

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The democracy model is adjustable, so even if faculties are merged, faculties grow og more faculties are established, this set formula adjust itself. This makes the distribution key last for the future as well as today.

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1559 2048.6 Attachment 6 Current Framework for the working year for the
1560 Student Democracy
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1562 **Framework for the Working Year of the Student** 1563 **Parliament**

1564 *Approved at Student Parliament 2, 09.03.2020*
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1566 *SPRING – for elections that happen in the spring period (January 1st – June 30th) the elected*
1567 *student representatives being their positions on July 1st of the same year, unless otherwise*
1568 *specified. The positions last 1 year, with the exception of the SiÅs Board.*
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1570 **At the change of the month January/February:** The Student Parliament’s kickoff conference.
1571 Held for the entire student parliament. (Representatives, moderator, election committee,
1572 control committee) + president and vice president of the student councils.

1573 **February:**

- 1574 • Startup meeting with the Student Councils
- 1575 • Seminar for the student representatives in the program councils and the faculties’
1576 education boards.
- 1577

1578 **Student Parliament 1**

1579 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 1580 • The Committee for the semester’s best lecturer, 4 members. 1-year long position that
1581 goes into effect immediately.
- 1582

1583 **Student Parliament 2**

1584 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 1585 • Distribution of Welfare Funds
- 1586 • Presentation of the positions up for electronic election in April/May (president and two
1587 members of the Student Parliament’s Student Board, as well as female student
1588 representatives for the University Board, 1 main + deputy, as well as female
1589 representatives for each of the faculty boards, 1 main + deputy).
- 1590

1591 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 1592 • Central Admissions Committee, 2 main and 2 deputies.
- 1593 • The Board of Complaints, 2 main and 2 deputies.
- 1594

1595 **Student Parliament 3**

1596 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 1597 • The Schedule for the Student Parliament for the following year
- 1598 • The Yearly report from SiÅs and University Board representatives. The case should be
- 1599 included in the case papers, but the report itself can be sent out on electronic platforms.
- 1600 • Informing about the budget since January of this year
- 1601 • Presentation of the candidates for the Student Board, as well as the candidates for the
- 1602 University Board.
- 1603

1604 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 1605 • The Control Committee, 2 representatives.
- 1606 • The SiÅs Board, 2 main (2-year positions) and 2 deputies (1-year positions)
- 1607 • An external representative to the SiÅs Board. This election is held every other year (odd
- 1608 numbered years).
- 1609 • The University's Research Board, 1 main representative and 2 deputies.
- 1610 • Chairmen, 1 main + deputy
- 1611 • Learning environment committee (LMU), 3 main + 4 deputies (prioritized).
- 1612

1613 **April/May**

1614 Electronic ballot voting for the president and two members of the Student Parliament's Student
1615 Board (AU), as well as 1 main and 1 deputy representative for the University Board.

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1617 *FALL – for elections that take place in the fall period (August 1st – December 31st) the elected*
1618 *student representatives begin their positions on January 1st of the following year, unless*
1619 *otherwise specified. The positions last for 1 year, with the exception of the SiÅs Board.*

1621 **September**

- 1622 • Startup meeting with the Student Councils
- 1623 • Seminar for student representatives in the program councils and the faculties'
- 1624 education boards.
- 1625

1626 **Student Parliament 4**

1627 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 1628 • The Student Parliament brings forth suggestions for measures for the Learning
- 1629 Environment Committee to take in the following year.
- 1630

1631 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 1632 • Research Ethics Committee, 2 main and 2 deputy representatives. 1-year position that
- 1633 beings immediately upon election.
- 1634 • Committee for the distribution of welfare funds, 2 members. 1-year position that beings
- 1635 immediately upon election.

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1637 **Student Parliament 5**

1638 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 1639 • Initial processing of the Student Democracy's budget.
- 1640 • Distribution of welfare funds
- 1641 • Information about the positions that are to be elected at the Constituent Student
- 1642 Parliament

1643
1644 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 1645 • The University's Education Board (USU), 2 main and 3 deputy representatives, the
- 1646 position being immediately upon election.

1647 **November:**

1648 Electronic ballot voting for the male student representatives in the faculty board of each faculty
1649 (1 main and 1 deputy), as well as male student representatives for the University Board (1
1650 main and 1 deputy)

1651 **Student Parliament 6**

1652 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 1653 • Plan of action for the Student democracy is adopted for the next calendar year
- 1654 • Long-term strategy for the next 3 years. The long-term strategy must be reviewed every
- 1655 third year, last adopted in 2017.
- 1656 • The Budget for the Student Democracy is to be addressed for the second time and
- 1657 approved of.
- 1658 • The Yearly report from the Student Parliament's Student Board (AU), the University's
- 1659 Research Board, (UFU), and the University's Education Board (USU). The case is to be
- 1660 included in the case papers, but the report itself can be sent out on electronic platforms.

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1662 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 1663 • The Control Committee, the president of the committee.
- 1664 • The Buddy General
- 1665 • Participants for the Norwegian Student Organization's (NSO's) national meeting

1666 **Constituent Student Parliament-** held for new student parliament representatives.

1667 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 1668 • Election of the chairmen, 1 main and 1 deputy.

- 1669
- Election of the election committee, 4 members.

1670 2048.7 Attachment 7 Proposed new Framework for the working year for
1671 the Student Democracy

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1673 **Proposed new Framework for the Working Year of** 1674 **the Student Parliament**

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Approved at Student Parliament 4, xx.xx.xxxx

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1678 *student representatives being their positions on July 1st of the same year, unless otherwise*
1679 *specified. The positions last 1 year, with the exception of the SiÅs Board.*

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1681 **At the change of the month January/February:** The Student Parliament’s kickoff conference.
1682 Held for the entire student parliament. (Representatives, moderator, election committee,
1683 control committee) + president and vice president of the student councils.

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February:

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- Startup meeting with the Student Councils

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- Seminar for the student representatives in the program councils and the faculties’
education boards.

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1689 **Student Parliament 1**

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Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

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- The Committee for the semester’s best lecturer, 4 members. 1-year long position that
1692 goes into effect immediately.

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Student Parliament 2

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The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

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- Distribution of Welfare Funds

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- Presentation of the positions up for electronic election in April/May (president and two
1698 members of the Student Parliament’s Student Board, as well as female student
1699 representatives for the University Board, 1 main + deputy, as well as female
1700 representatives for each of the faculty boards, 1 main + deputy).

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Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

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- Central Admissions Committee, 2 main and 2 deputies.

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- The Board of Complaints, 2 main and 2 deputies.

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1706 **Student Parliament 3**

1707 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 1708 • The Schedule for the Student Parliament for the following year
- 1709 • The Yearly report from SiÅs and University Board representatives. The case should be
1710 included in the case papers, but the report itself can be sent out on electronic platforms.
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- 1712 • Presentation of the candidates for the Student Board, as well as the candidates for the
1713 University Board.
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1715 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 1716 • The Control Committee, 2 representatives.
- 1717 • The SiÅs Board, 2 main (2-year positions) and 2 deputies (1-year positions)
- 1718 • An external representative to the SiÅs Board. This election is held every other year (odd
1719 numbered years).
- 1720 • The University's Research Board, 1 main representative and 2 deputies.
- 1721 • Chairmen, 1 main + deputy
- 1722 • Learning environment committee (LMU), 3 main + 4 deputies (prioritized).
- 1723 • The University's Education Board (USU), 2 main and 3 deputy representatives, the
1724 position being immediately upon election.

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1726 **April/May**

1727 Electronic ballot voting for the president and two members of the Student Parliament's Student
1728 Board (AU), as well as 1 main and 1 deputy representative for the University Board.

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1730 *FALL – for elections that take place in the fall period (August 1st – December 31st) the elected*
1731 *student representatives begin their positions on January 1st of the following year, unless*
1732 *otherwise specified. The positions last for 1 year, with the exception of the SiÅs Board.*

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1734 **September**

- 1735 • Startup meeting with the Student Councils
- 1736 • Seminar for student representatives in the program councils and the faculties'
1737 education boards.
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1739 **Student Parliament 4**

1740 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 1741 • The Student Parliament brings forth suggestions for measures for the Learning
1742 Environment Committee to take in the following year.

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1744 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 1745 • Research Ethics Committee, 2 main and 2 deputy representatives. 1-year position that
1746 beings immediately upon election.
1747 • Committee for the distribution of welfare funds, 2 members. 1-year position that beings
1748 immediately upon election.

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1750 **Student Parliament 5**

1751 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 1752 • Initial processing of the Student Democracy's budget.
1753 • Distribution of welfare funds
1754 • Information about the positions that are to be elected at the Constituent Student
1755 Parliament

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1757 ~~Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:~~

- 1758 ~~• The University's Education Board (USU), 2 main and 3 deputy representatives, the~~
1759 ~~position being immediately upon election.~~

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1761 **November:**

1762 Electronic ballot voting for the male student representatives in the faculty board of each faculty
1763 (1 main and 1 deputy), as well as male student representatives for the University Board (1
1764 main and 1 deputy)

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1766 **Student Parliament 6**

1767 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

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1770 third year, last adopted in 2017.
1771 • The Budget for the Student Democracy is to be addressed for the second time and
1772 approved of.
1773 • The Yearly report from the Student Parliament's Student Board (AU), the University's
1774 Research Board, (UFU), and the University's Education Board (USU). The case is to be
1775 included in the case papers, but the report itself can be sent out on electronic platforms.

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1777 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

1778 • The Control Committee, the president of the committee.

1779 • The Buddy General

1780 • Participants for the Norwegian Student Organization's (NSO's) national meeting

1781 **Constituent Student Parliament**- held for new student parliament representatives.

1782 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

1783 • Election of the chairmen, 1 main and 1 deputy.

1784 • Election of the election committee, 4 members.

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1789 Environmental Political Document for the Student Parliament at NMBU

1790 The document contains the demands that the students at NMBU have to their environment and
1791 their surroundings.

1792 Approved at Student Parliament 4 xx.xx.xxxx

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1794 **NMBU operations:**

- 1795 • NMBU shall at yearly basis develop a climate accounts and a climate budget, with a goal
1796 for reductions for emissions, allocation of responsibilities and reporting in connection
1797 to other economic reports.
- 1798 • It should at minimum be established a 100% position av environmental advisor at the
1799 university. The advisor shall amongst other things ensure that the Sustainability work
1800 at NMBU are well visible to the student mass.
- 1801 • All NMBU vehicles, with an exception of farming vehicles/machines, shall be fossil free
1802 by the end of 2022.
- 1803 • It shall be a parking fee on campus.
- 1804 • NMBU shall only serve food with a low or a positive climate footprint, hereunder focus
1805 on locally produces food as well as introduce “Vegonorm” at all functions arranged by
1806 the university.
- 1807 • The environment shall be emphasized when purchasing, and it should be made
1808 demands about emissions free transport from suppliers.
- 1809 • In the formulation of ethical guidelines and purchasing agreements climate and
1810 sustainability shall be the deciding factor.
- 1811 • BREEAM-excellent must be the minimum standard for all new buildings at NMBU. Reuse
1812 of materials shall be prioritized, and plus houses should be pursued.
- 1813 • NMBU shall fase out all use of fossil fuels used for heating by the end of 2021, and shall
1814 through amongst other things smart environmental control of buildings, reduce the use
1815 of energy by 10%. All electricity purchased shall have a guarantee of origin.
- 1816 • NMBU funds shall not be invested in fossil energy, and shall be managed in a manner
1817 that stimulates green growth and development.
- 1818 • NMBU shall have a goal of 0% demolition of nature, topsoil and bogs. Biological
1819 diversity must be taken into account in decisions regarding land management.
- 1820 • NMBUS consumption and waste management shall be based on EUs waste management
1821 directive and the waste management pyramid. Waste reduction, reuse and recycling
1822 shall be prioritized.

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1824 **Environment and sustainability in education**

- 1825 • Sustainability shall be implemented as a part of the curriculum in all subjects.
- 1826 • When performing practical tasks as at part of a course, sustainability shall be
1827 emphasized.
- 1828 • The students shall be able to practice interdisciplinarity cooperation to ensure
1829 professional width and quality.
- 1830 • It should be areas on campus that can be used to fix and mend broken objects. Tools for
1831 this purpose shall be provided. NMBU shall promote the areas so that they appear
1832 attractive and available.
- 1833 • NMBU should offer a comprehensive offer of digital curriculum. E-books and e-
1834 compendiums shall be available in all subjects.

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- All exams should be digital, as long as it is appropriate
 - Lecturers should have the competence and tools to exploit digital possibilities, and the use of paper should be limited to a minimum.

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- NMBU should be a leading university at an international level when it comes to research into environment, climate and sustainability.
 - Student-initiated and student-active research should be facilitated, especially with the fields of environment, climate and sustainability.
 - Sustainability should be an overall goal and should be included in all research at NMBU
 - Results from research performed at NMBU should be used on campus and in the teaching process. The research should be available for all students so that it can contribute to the students academic growth.

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Other participators, SiÅs, Ås Municipality, others

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- Exiting student housing must be systematic reviewed with special focus on energy efficiency, post-insulation and necessary rehabilitation, rather than building new constructions,
 - When starting new construction projects the environment should be a deciding factor.
 - Student housing should produce as much of the energy for their own consumption as possible. Plus houses should be pursued.
 - A cycling road should be facilitated between campus and the center of Ås, along the Drøbakroad. There should be enough safe places on campus to park bicycles.
 - Locally produced, short travelled and sustainable food should be served at all functions.
 - Students are a resource, and the university should make full use of their competence.
 - Good charging possibilities for electric cars should be provided.
 - A car sharing pool should be set up or there should be easier to lease cars. This set up should only consist of electric cars.
 - SiÅs should develop a plan of action to reduce food waste and have an arrangement for excess food.
 - It should be at least four train departures in an hour from Ås in both directions.

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1866 Attachment approved at Student Parliament 4

1867 Statutes for the Student Democracy at NMBU

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1869 **Statutes for the Student Democracy at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences**

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1871 Approved at the foundational meeting: 27.11.2013. Last revised 14.09.2020

1872 **Chapter Overview:**

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1886 **Chapter 1: Purpose and Scope**

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1888 **§ 1-1 Purpose**

1889 The Student Democracy at NMBU has the purpose of protecting the students' interests and bringing
1890 forward their inputs.

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1892 **§ 1-2 Scope**

1893 These statutes apply to all organs of the Student Democracy at NMBU and are constructed in
1894 accordance with national laws and regulations. Instructions taken up in chapter 8 cannot go against
1895 these statutes.

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1897 **Chapter 2: Structure of the Student Democracy at NMBU**

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1899 **§ 2-1 At a Central Level**

1900 The highest democratic organ in the Student Democracy at NMBU is the Student Parliament. The
1901 daily operations of the Student Parliament are carried out by the Student Parliament's Student Board.

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1903 **§ 2-2 At a Faculty Level**

1904 At the Faculty level, the Student Democracy consists of Student Councils. Student Councils are
1905 constructed of:

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1907 • President and vice president of the student councils

1908 • Class representatives

1909 • Faculty student representatives in the following committees and positions:

1910 • - The student Parliament

1911 • - The Faculty Board

1912 • - The Education Committee

1913 • - The Program councils

1914 • - The Research Committee

- 1915 • - The Selection Committee
- 1916 • - The Appointment Committee

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 1918 The Faculty general assembly is the highest student democracy organ at a faculty level. Between
 1919 faculty general assemblies the student councils stand for the daily operations and representations of
 1920 the faculty's student democracy.

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 1922 The Student Council at Campus Adamstuen is delegated the power of communication and
 1923 representation over the Welfare Committee in Oslo and Akershus.

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 1925 **Chapter 3: The Student Parliament**

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 1927 **§ 3-1 Powers and Functions**

1928 The Student Parliament represents all students at NMBU, and decisions made in the Student
 1929 Parliament are made on the behalf of all students. The Student Parliament has the responsibility to
 1930 inform about decisions made. Closing of the meeting must follow the provisions in §3-6.

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 1932 **§ 3-2 Construction**

1933 The Faculties at NMBU are constituents of the Student Parliament. The Student Parliament consists
 1934 of 25 representatives. These representatives are distributed according to the democracy model.

1935 The division method for the mandatory seat allocation follows this formula:

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$$\frac{V}{2^{s+1}}$$

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 1939 V= Number of students at the faculty
 1940 S= Number of student representatives the faculty is allocated

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 1942 Updated number of students can be found in the Database for Statistics on Higher Education (DBH)
 1943 every fall. The average of the number of students for the spring semester and fall semester make up
 1944 the basis for the following year's representative distribution in the Student Parliament.

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 1946 The democracy model distributes one representative at the time. The largest faculty after the
 1947 calculation gets awarded a student parliament representative. In the first round the student
 1948 mass are divided by $2^{(0+1)}$. If the Faculty receives a representative, the student mas will be
 1949 divided into 4 (ex $2^{(1+1)}$), and after that in 8 (ex $2^{(2+1)}$), 16 (ex $2^{(3+1)}$) etc. This is done
 1950 until all the student parliament seats are distributed.

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 1952 This calculation basis is presented for orientation before the fall faculty general assemblies.

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 1955 **§ 3-3 Constituting**

1956 The Student Parliament representatives are elected for one year at the time. One should aim for the
 1957 constituent Student Parliament to be held between the fall faculty general assemblies and the new
 1958 year.

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 1960 **§ 3-4 Meetings and Summoning**

1961 The Student Parliament must hold at least 3 meetings per semester. The Student Board is responsible
 1962 for summoning the Student Parliament. Summoning and case papers should be made available to all
 1963 students at least 7 days before the meeting. Electronic decisions are the exclusion of this statute cf.
 1964 §3-10.

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1966 The provision that the summoning and case papers need to be made available for all students in the
1967 first paragraph entails that they need to be translated to English. If there is uncertainty about the
1968 translation, the Norwegian version will be the basis for understanding. Further specification is
1969 outlined in the instructions for the Student Parliament.

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1971 All students with a valid semester registration have the right to send in cases to the Student
1972 Parliament. This must be done at the latest 14 days before the meeting if the case is to be handled.
1973 This provision does not count for cases to be handled under “other.” Further specification is outlined
1974 in the instructions for the Student Parliament. Extraordinary Student Parliaments is held if at least 3
1975 members of the Student Board, at least 13 representatives from the Student Parliament, or at least 25
1976 students desire it. Extraordinary Student Parliament is to be made known to the public at least 7 days
1977 before taking place, and should only handle the case(s) that were the reason for its summoning.

1978 1979 **§ 3-5 Representation at the**

1980 Representation at the Student Parliament

1981 The following people are required to attend Student Parliament, and are required to give a written
1982 notification before the meeting if they cannot attend:

- 1983 - The Student Parliament’s Representatives
- 1984 - The Student Parliament’s Student Board
- 1985 - The Student Parliament’s organizational secretary
- 1986 - The Student Parliament’s chairmen

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1988 At least one representative from the following organs must attend the meeting:

- 1989 - The Student Representative in the University Board
- 1990 - The Student Representative in the SiÅs board
- 1991 - The International Student Union (ISU)
- 1992 - The Control Committee

1993 All students at NMBU have the right to attend the Student Parliament.

1994 1995 **§ 3-6 Closing of a Meeting.**

1996 The Student Parliament’s meetings are open. The Student Parliament can decide to close a meeting
1997 with a qualified majority from the representatives in attendance

1998 With the closing of a meeting, separate minutes will be recorded that are withheld from public
1999 disclosure.

2000 2001 **§ 3-7 Decision Validity**

2002 The Student Parliament can make valid decisions when at least 50% of the representatives are in
2003 attendance.

2004 2005 **§ 3-8 Voting rights and Voting**

2006 The Student Parliament’s representatives have a voting right. If a main representative notifies of an
2007 absence, their appointed substitute has a voting right when in attendance. Decisions in the Student
2008 Parliament are normally made with a 50% majority. Decisions are made with hand raising, unless
2009 one representative asks for a written voting. With a voting tie, the Student Parliament can take a new
2010 vote. With a continued tie after a second voting, the case can be handled according to the proposed
2011 resolution.

2012 2013 **§3-9 Speaking and Proposal Rights**

2014 Everybody has a right to speak at Student parliament meetings. All students at NMBU has the right
2015 to propose cases at Student parliament meetings.

2016 2017 **§ 3-10 Electronic Voting**

2018 Electronic voting can be used to make decisions about single cases. Electronic voting is carried out
2019 in the method described in the instructions for electronic voting. The deadline to vote electronically
2020 is within 7 days.

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2022 Electronic voting cannot be used to vote on matters concerning the following:

- 2023 - Elections
- 2024 - Cases of mistrust
- 2025 - Changing to the Student Parliament's committee documents and instructions
- 2026 - Appointment of the student representatives to councils and committees
- 2027 - Other matters of considerable nature

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2029 Main Student Parliament Representatives have voting rights with electronic voting.

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2031 Electronic voting cannot take place if one or some student parliament representatives wish to handle
2032 the case at a normal student parliament before the deadline. The desire must be justified.

2033 2034 **§ 3-11 Position Resignation**

2035 The Student Parliament representatives automatically resign from their position in the Student
2036 Parliament when the position they are elected to starts, in the following organs:

- 2037 - The Student Parliament's Student Board
- 2038 - The University Board
- 2039 - The SiÅs Board
- 2040 - The Student Board of the Norwegian Student Organization
- 2041 - The Control Committee

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2043 With position resignation, the position holder's deputy representative automatically inherits the
2044 position as a main representative.

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2046 Position resignation, a supplementary election will be conducted in accordance with § 5-5

2047 2048 **§3-12 Temporary Position Resignation**

2049 In the case of partiality, there will be a temporary place resignation. This means that the
2050 representative withdraws from their position in cases where it applies. In the case of temporary place
2051 resignation the deputy will take over cf. § 6-1

2052 **Chapter 4: The Student Parliament's Student Board**

2053 2054 **§ 4-1 Powers and Functions**

2055 The Student Board (AU) carries out the Student Parliament's daily operations and represents the
2056 Student Parliament between meetings. AU can make decisions in urgent cases, cases that are
2057 delegated due to earlier decisions in the Student Parliament, and appoint people to non-decision
2058 making committees. AU makes proposals in all cases handled by the Student Parliament, with the
2059 exception of Elections.

2060 2061 **§ 4-2 Composition**

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2063 The Student Parliament's Student Board shall consist of the following members:

- 2064 - President
- 2065 - Student Board member
- 2066 - Student Board member.

2067 The Student Board constitutes their areas of responsibility internally.

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2069 Working time and election periods are regulated according to functions § 5-1.

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2072 § 4-3 Decision Ability and Voting Ties

2073 The Student Board can make valid decisions when at least four members are in attendance. With a
2074 voting tie in the Student Board, the president has a double vote.

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2076 Chapter 5: Elections and Appointments

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2078 § 5-1 Eligibility for the Student Democracy

2079 The overarching rule is that all Students at NMBU with a valid semester registration can run for
2080 positions in the Student Democracy. This applies unless otherwise specified.

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2082 § 5-2 Electronic Ballot Elections

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2084 a) Election of the Student Board

2085 The Student Parliament's Student Board are elected through Electronic Ballot Voting, where all
2086 students with a valid semester registration have the right to vote. The elections take place in April
2087 every year. They hold their position for 1 year, between 1.7. until 30.6.

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2089 b) Election to the University Board

2090 Two student representatives are elected, one of each gender, with a deputy. They are chosen through
2091 an electronic ballot vote, where all students with a valid semester registration have the right to vote.
2092 The election takes place every year in April/May for female representatives, and in November for
2093 male representatives. They hold the position for one year, from 01.07 to 30.06 for the spring election,
2094 and 01.01-31.12 for the fall election.

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2096 c) Elections to the Faculty Board

2097 Student Representatives are chosen through electronic ballot voting, where all students with a valid
2098 semester registration have the right to vote within their respective faculties. They hold the position
2099 for one year, from 01.01-31.12 for male representatives (elected in November) and 01.07-30.06 for
2100 female representatives (elected in April/May).

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2102 § 5-3 Other elections and appointments conducted in the Student Parliament

2103 The Student Parliament elects student representatives to central positions and committees at NMBU,
2104 to individual committees and to the board for student welfare organization. All elections are done by
2105 writing. In the case that only one candidate is running, they can be elected by acclamation, unless at
2106 least one representative wishes to have a written voting process.

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2108 With a tie in voting between two candidates, a new voting round will be held. With a continued tie
2109 after a new voting round, the decision will be made according to the proposed resolution. If there is
2110 no suggestion made the decision will be made by drawing lots. Those chosen in this paragraph have
2111 minute requirements to the Student Parliament.

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2113 Student Representatives that are not connected to the Student Welfare Organization in Ås (SiÅs) do
2114 not have voting rights for the representatives of The SiÅs Board.

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2116 § 5-4 Supplementary Elections

2117 Normally, a supplementary election will be held in the case of place resignation. Supplementary
2118 elections follow the same election rules as normal elections. This can be adjusted in cases of urgent
2119 votes, or other reasons in which it is appropriate.

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Chapter 6: Impartiality

§ 6-1 Impartiality

For someone to be “partial” entails that there are circumstances that are likely to cause bias in the person’s judgment. This can happen when a person is a part of a case or has strong personal consequences from the results of a case, or has close family with the previously mentioned.

In order to have good administrative practices, questions of partiality must be strict. This means that a lot must happen to name a representative partial. Those that are named partial must temporarily resign from the case, cf. § 3-12.

Cases of partiality are handled with a 50% majority voting from the relevant organ, and the person in question cannot vote. If more than one person in a case is questioned about partiality, none of the involved can partake in voting about their own or others’ partiality, unless the organ is no longer a decision making organ in the case. In this case, all meeting members can participate.

Chapter 7: Mistrust

§ 7-1 Mistrust

Issues of mistrust can be brought up by Student Parliament representatives or other organs of the Student Democracy, and should be delivered to the Student Parliament’s organizational secretary. When handling these issues at the student parliament, the one that the case is brought up against has the opportunity to present their own case.

§ 7-2 Ability to ask for a statement from the control committee

If cases where mistrust are brought forward, both parties can ask for a statement from the control committee in sufficient time before the case is handled.

§ 7-3 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by the student parliament

With a 2/3 majority vote amongst representatives in attendance, the student parliament can decide that an officer is mistrusted, following statutes §§ 5-1 second paragraph, and 5-3. Those who are deemed distrusted must immediately resign as an appointee from the student parliament

§ 7-4 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by Electronic Ballot Voting

With issues of mistrust against representatives chosen through electronic ballot voting after statutes §§ 5-2 a and c, it is handled first by the Student Parliament. If it is proposed by a qualified majority amongst representatives in attendance, it will be handled through an electronic ballot vote where all students with a valid semester registration have the right to vote. The approval of the mistrust requires at least a 50% majority of votes. Those who have cases of mistrust approved against them must resign immediately from their position.

Cases of mistrust cannot be taken against student representatives in the University Board, as it goes against *Lov om universiteter og høyskoler* § 9-8. (The laws for Universities and Higher schools)

Chapter 8: Documents

§ 8-1 Documents approved by Student Parliament

The following documents are to be approved by the Student Parliament:

- Statutes
- Program of Principles

- 2172 - Political documents
- 2173 - Decrees/Resolutions
- 2174 - Economic regulations
- 2175 - Plan of Action
- 2176 - Budget
- 2177 - Schedule
- 2178 - Working instructions for the Control Committee
- 2179 - Working Instructions for the Student Board.
- 2180 - Instructions for the Rules of Procedure and Agenda.
- 2181 - Instructions for Elections of the Student Board and other elections.

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2183 **§ 8-1-1 Statutes**

2184 The statutes outrank all other management documents.

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2186 **§ 8-1-2 Program of Principles**

2187 The Program of Principles determines the organization's ground principles and executive political
2188 priorities. The Program of Principles outranks the rest of the Student Parliament's politics.

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2190 The Program of Principles shall be treated every 3rd year. The Student Parliament can choose to treat
2191 the Program of Principles at any time. The Program of Principles shall be treated in two student
2192 parliament meetings: with a discussion case in the first meeting and a decision case in the second
2193 meeting.

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2195 **§ 8-1-3 Political documents**

2196 Political documents determine what the Student Parliament thinks of a certain topic. These shall not
2197 go against the Program of Principles, but outside of this, political documents outrank the rest of the
2198 Student Parliament's politics. A document is valid for 5 years. Political documents shall be treated in
2199 two student parliament meetings: with a discussion case in the first meeting, and a decision case in
2200 the second meeting.

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2202 **§ 8-2 Instructions for the Student Councils**

2203 The Student Parliament adopts a standardized instruction for the composition of student councils at
2204 NMBU. The Student parliament decides the structure and composition of Student Councils. The
2205 Student Councils have the power to make their own local instructions, but not remove or change the
2206 composition without approval from the Student Parliament.

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2208 **§ 8-3 Other Instructions**

2209 The Student Parliament can approve of other instructions as needed.

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2212 **Chapter 9: Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU**

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2214 **§ 9-1 Dissolution**

2215 Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU must be approved of with a qualified majority
2216 amongst present representatives for two consecutive student parliaments. The decision goes into
2217 effect after the second meeting is adjourned. Proposals for dissolution must be made at least 4 weeks
2218 before it is handled for the first time, and the first student parliament meeting that handles the case is
2219 to be an open meeting where all students at NMBU are called in.

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2221 **§ 9-2 Merging with Other Student Democracies**

2222 Merging of the Student Democracy at NMBU with other student democracies must be approved of
2223 with a qualified majority amongst representatives in attendance for two consecutive meetings.
2224 Proposals for merging must specify the point in time at which the merge will take place.
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2226 **Chapter 10: Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

2227 2228 **§ 10-1 Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

2229 The Student Democracy at NMBU is a member of the Norwegian student organization (NSO).
2230 Withdrawal must follow the protocol of NSOs statutes.

2231 2232 **Chapter 11: Amendments to the Statues**

2233 2234 **§ 11-1 Submitting of Amendment Proposals**

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2236 Proposals for amendments of these statutes should be taken to the Student Parliament's Student
2237 Board at least 14 days before the meeting in which they will be addressed, and needs to be made
2238 public to all students at least 7 days before the meeting.

2239 2240 **§ 11-2 Decisions and Effectiveness**

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2242 With a qualified majority vote amongst representatives in attendance, the Student Parliament can
2243 decide that changes go into effect immediately after they are adopted

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2245 With a qualified majority, the Student Parliament can bring changed into effect. The Student
2246 Parliament's Student Board has the power to make editorial changes in these Statutes. Such changes
2247 must be presented for orientation during the first meeting after they are made.

2248 2249 **Chapter 12: Definitions**

2250 2251 **§ 12-1 Majority Voting**

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2253 Simple Majority: This means that a proposal receives the most votes

2254 50% majority: This means that a proposal receives more than ½ of the votes from participating
2255 voters

2256 Qualified Majority: This means that a proposal receives 2/3 or more of the votes from the
2257 participating voters

2258 Absolute Majority: A proposal receives more than ½ of the total number of votes

2259 Absolute Qualified Majority: A proposal receives 2/3 or more of the total number of votes

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2263 Framework for the working year of the Student Parliament

2264 **Framework for the Working Year of the Student** 2265 **Parliament**

2266 *Approved at Student Parliament 4, 14.09.2020*

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2268 *SPRING – for elections that happen in the spring period (January 1st – June 30th) the elected*
2269 *student representatives being their positions on July 1st of the same year, unless otherwise specified.*
2270 *The positions last 1 year, with the exception of the SiÅs Board.*

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2272 **At the change of the month January/February:** The Student Parliament’s kickoff conference.
2273 Held for the entire student parliament. (Representatives, moderator, election committee, control
2274 committee) + president and vice president of the student councils.

2275 **February:**

- 2276 • Startup meeting with the Student Councils
- 2277 • Seminar for the student representatives in the program councils and the faculties’ education
2278 boards.

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2280 **Student Parliament 1**

2281 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 2282 • The Committee for the semester’s best lecturer, 4 members. 1-year long position that goes
2283 into effect immediately.

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2285 **Student Parliament 2**

2286 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 2287 • Distribution of Welfare Funds
- 2288 • Presentation of the positions up for electronic election in April/May (president and two
2289 members of the Student Parliament’s Student Board, as well as female student representatives
2290 for the University Board, 1 main + deputy, as well as female representatives for each of the
2291 faculty boards, 1 main + deputy).

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2293 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 2294 • Central Admissions Committee, 2 main and 2 deputies.
- 2295 • The Board of Complaints, 2 main and 2 deputies.

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2297 **Student Parliament 3**

2298 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 2299 • The Schedule for the Student Parliament for the following year
- 2300 • The Yearly report from SiÅs and University Board representatives. The case should be
- 2301 included in the case papers, but the report itself can be sent out on electronic platforms.
- 2302 • Informing about the budget since January of this year
- 2303 • Presentation of the candidates for the Student Board, as well as the candidates for the
- 2304 University Board.
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2306 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 2307 • The Control Committee, 2 representatives.
- 2308 • The SiÅs Board, 2 main (2-year positions) and 2 deputies (1-year positions)
- 2309 • An external representative to the SiÅs Board. This election is held every other year (odd
- 2310 numbered years).
- 2311 • The University’s Research Board, 1 main representative and 2 deputies.
- 2312 • Chairmen, 1 main + deputy
- 2313 • Learning environment committee (LMU), 3 main + 4 deputies (prioritized).
- 2314 • The University’s Education Board (USU), 2 main and 3 deputy representatives, the position
- 2315 being immediately upon election.

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2317 **April/May**

2318 Electronic ballot voting for the president and two members of the Student Parliament’s Student
 2319 Board (AU), as well as 1 main and 1 deputy representative for the University Board.

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2321 *FALL – for elections that take place in the fall period (August 1st – December 31st) the elected*
 2322 *student representatives begin their positions on January 1st of the following year, unless otherwise*
 2323 *specified. The positions last for 1 year, with the exception of the SiÅs Board.*

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2325 **September**

- 2326 • Startup meeting with the Student Councils
- 2327 • Seminar for student representatives in the program councils and the faculties’ education
- 2328 boards.
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2330 **Student Parliament 4**

2331 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 2332 • The Student Parliament brings forth suggestions for measures for the Learning Environment
- 2333 Committee to take in the following year.
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2335 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 2336 • Research Ethics Committee, 2 main and 2 deputy representatives. 1-year position that beings
- 2337 immediately upon election.
- 2338 • Committee for the distribution of welfare funds, 2 members. 1-year position that beings
- 2339 immediately upon election.

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2341 **Student Parliament 5**

2342 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 2343 • Initial processing of the Student Democracy’s budget.
- 2344 • Distribution of welfare funds
- 2345 • Information about the positions that are to be elected at the Constituent Student Parliament
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2347 **November:**

2348 Electronic ballot voting for the male student representatives in the faculty board of each faculty (1
2349 main and 1 deputy), as well as male student representatives for the University Board (1 main and 1
2350 deputy)

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2352 **Student Parliament 6**

2353 The following cases are to be handled/approved of:

- 2354 • Plan of action for the Student democracy is adopted for the next calendar year
- 2355 • Long-term strategy for the next 3 years. The long-term strategy must be reviewed every third
- 2356 year, last adopted in 2017.
- 2357 • The Budget for the Student Democracy is to be addressed for the second time and approved
- 2358 of.
- 2359 • The Yearly report from the Student Parliament’s Student Board (AU), the University’s
- 2360 Research Board, (UFU), and the University’s Education Board (USU). The case is to be
- 2361 included in the case papers, but the report itself can be sent out on electronic platforms.
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2363 Candidates for the following positions are to be selected:

- 2364 • The Control Committee, the president of the committee.
- 2365 • The Buddy General
- 2366 • Participants for the Norwegian Student Organization’s (NSO’s) national meeting
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2368 **Constituent Student Parliament-** held for new student parliament representatives. Candidates for
2369 the following positions are to be selected:

- 2370 • Election of the chairmen, 1 main and 1 deputy.
- 2371 • Election of the election committee, 4 members.
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2373 Environmental political document

2374 Environmental Political Document for the Student Parliament at NMBU

2375 The document contains the demands that the students at NMBU have to their environment and
2376 their surroundings.

2377 *Approved at Student Parliament 4, 14.09.2020*

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2379 **NMBU operations:**

- 2380 • NMBU shall at yearly basis develop a climate accounts and a climate budget, with a goal
2381 for reductions for emissions, allocation of responsibilities and reporting in connection
2382 to other economic reports.
- 2383 • It should at minimum be established a 100% position av environmental advisor at the
2384 university. The advisor shall amongst other things ensure that the Sustainability work
2385 at NMBU are well visible to the student mass.
- 2386 • All new purchases of NMBU vehicles, with an exception of farming machines, shall be
2387 fossil free.
- 2388 • It shall be a parking fee on campus.
- 2389 • NMBU shall only serve food with a low or a positive climate footprint, hereunder focus
2390 on locally produces food as well as introduce “Vegonorm” at all functions arranged by
2391 the university.
- 2392 • The environment shall be emphasized when purchasing, and it should be made
2393 demands about emissions free transport from suppliers.
- 2394 • In the formulation of ethical guidelines and purchasing agreements climate and
2395 sustainability shall be the deciding factor.
- 2396 • BREEAM-excellent must be the minimum standard for all new buildings at NMBU. Reuse
2397 of materials shall be prioritized, and plus houses should be pursued.
- 2398 • NMBU shall fase out all use of fossil fuels used for heating by the end of 2021, and shall
2399 through amongst other things smart environmental control of buildings, reduce the use
2400 of energy by 10%. All electricity purchased shall have a guarantee of origin.
- 2401 • NMBU funds shall not be invested in fossil energy, and shall be managed in a manner
2402 that stimulates green growth and development.
- 2403 • NMBU shall have a goal of 0% demolition of nature, topsoil and bogs. Biological
2404 diversity must be taken into account in decisions regarding land management.
- 2405 • NMBUS consumption and waste management shall be based on EUs waste management
2406 directive and the waste management pyramid. Waste reduction, reuse and recycling
2407 shall be prioritized.

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2409 **Environment and sustainability in education**

- 2410 • Sustainability shall be implemented as a part of the curriculum in all subjects where it is
2411 appropriate
- 2412 • When performing practical tasks as at part of a course, sustainability shall be
2413 emphasized.
- 2414 • The students shall be able to practice interdisciplinarity cooperation to ensure
2415 professional width and quality.
- 2416 • It should be areas on campus that can be used to fix and mend broken objects. Tools for
2417 this purpose shall be provided. NMBU shall promote the areas so that they appear
2418 attractive and available.

- 2419 • NMBU should offer a comprehensive offer of digital curriculum. E-books and e-
2420 compendiums shall be available in all subjects.
2421 • As long as it is appropriate, exams should be digital
2422 • Lecturers should have the competence and tools to exploit digital possibilities, and the use
2423 of paper should be limited to a minimum.

2424 **Research**

- 2425 • NMBU should be a leading university at an international level when it comes to
2426 research into environment, climate and sustainability.
2427 • Student-initiated and student-active research should be facilitated, especially with
2428 the fields of environment, climate and sustainability.
2429 • Sustainability should be an overall goal for the research at NMBU
2430 • Results from research performed at NMBU should be used on campus and in the
2431 teaching process. The research should be available for all students so that it can
2432 contribute to the students academic growth.

2433 **Other participators, SiÅs, Ås Municipality, others**

- 2434 • Exiting student housing must be systematic reviewed with special focus on energy
2435 efficiency, post-insulation and necessary rehabilitation, rather than building new
2436 constructions,
2437 • When starting new construction projects the sustainability should be a deciding factor.
2438 • Student housing should produce as much of the energy for their own consumption as
2439 possible. Plus houses should be pursued.
2440 • A cycling road should be facilitated between campus and the center of Ås, along the
2441 Drøbak road. There should be enough safe places on campus to park bicycles.
2442 • Locally produced, short travelled and sustainable food should be served at all functions.
2443 • Students are a resource, and the university should make full use of their competence.
2444 • Good charging possibilities for electric cars should be provided.
2445 • A car sharing pool should be set up or there should be easier to lease cars. This set up
2446 should only consist of electric cars.
2447 • SiÅs should develop a plan of action for the climate and environment, which should
2448 include a strategy for reducing food waste and have an arrangement for excess food.
2449 • It should be at least four train departures in an hour from Ås in both directions.
2450 • Ensure that an offer is created to swap furniture, such as a change tent / exchange hall
2451 etc. Preferably as a collaboration between Ås municipality and SiÅs. SiÅs is expected to
2452 take responsibility for such an offer.

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