

Rule 3 – Trustee Board

Trustee Board is established with clauses 17-28 of the Articles of Association as the Union's governing body. These Rules should be read in conjunction with those clauses.

1. Trustees

1.1 The Trustees are made up of the following people:

- (a) Six Sabbatical Trustees:
 - The Union President
 - 5 other Sabbatical Officers, selected by the Sabbatical Team and appointed by the Trustee Board at its first meeting.
- (b) Six Student Trustees
 - 2 Student Leader Trustees, as identified in Rule 6
 - 4 Student trustees, elected by a ballot of all Full Members
- (c) Four External Trustees, appointed by Union Senate

1.2 All Trustees make up the Trustee Board, with the Union President as Chair

2. Remit and Powers of Trustees

2.1 The powers of the Trustees are outlined in Article 22

2.2 The Trustees' powers shall include but not be limited to ultimate responsibility for:

- (a) the governance of the Union;
- (b) the budget of the Union; and
- (c) employment issues.

2.3 Decisions made by a democratic body are subject to the authority of the Trustees on the following grounds only:

- (a) financial considerations; and
- (b) charity law or other legal requirements; and
- (c) such other grounds set out in the Rules.

2.4 Trustee Board is responsible for:

- (a) Creating and implementing the Union's Strategy and related plans.
- (b) Making emergency decisions out of term time, subject to the ratification of Senate.
- (c) Developing the Union's facilities.
- (d) Ensuring the strategic development of the commercial services in line with the overall strategy.
- (e) Considering and reporting to the membership all decisions to affiliate to bodies during the year.
- (f) Ensuring financial guidelines exist, and agreeing a Financial Schedule

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(which shall be approved at the first Senate meeting of each academic year), which shall set out:

- (i) the maximum sums that may be approved by committees and individuals,
 - (ii) the maximum sums that may be provisionally approved by committees and individuals, subject to approval by Trustee Board, and
 - (iii) the levels of fines that may be imposed in accordance with Rule 9 (Disciplinary Procedure)
- (g) and shall include provision for contracts or expenditure over a set amount to be subject to call-in by Senate in accordance with Rule 2 (Decision-Making).
- (h) In accordance with Article 26, the Trustees may delegate any of their powers or functions to a sub-committee of two or more Trustees.

3. Roles and Responsibilities of Trustees

3.1 All Trustees will be expected to:

- (a) Fulfil all duties and responsibilities of a Trustee as promoted by the Charities Commission.
- (b) Be responsible for ensuring that the Union is administered in accordance with its Constitution, the associated Rules and By-Laws, and all current law as it relates to Students' Unions.
- (c) Promote the Aims and Objectives of the Union on every campus of the University.
- (d) Act fairly and reasonably in the making of any decision.
- (e) Act in the best interests of the Union and to not seek any personal gain from the term of office.
- (f) Ensure that all property and investments of the Union are prudently and efficiently administered.

4. Bar Club

4.1 Trustee Board is responsible for the administration of the bars. All members of the Union, its staff and the University staff are deemed to be members of the Bar Club,

4.2 The Rules of the Bar Club (as approved by the Licensing Justices from time to time) are kept by the Chief Executive