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ESN		X			
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AGENDA

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2411 Constitution

2411.1 Approval of today's agenda and summoning

Approved without objections.

2411.2 Approval of the previous meeting protocol

1 Protocols are uploaded to our homepage (<http://www.studentdemokratiet.no>) a week after each Student
2 Parliament Meeting. If you need a paper copy of the protocol, please get in touch with the Student Board
3 at their office (The Clock building)

4 Approved without objections.
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6 2411.3 Appointment of a Counting Committee

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8 1. Ole Josef Pinaas

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10 2. Solveig Pettersen

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12 3. Navneet Sharma

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14 The counting committee was approved.
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17 2412 Orientation cases

18 2412.1 Minutes

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20 The minutes shall be made known to the public within 12.00 the Thursday before Student Parliament.
21 The minutes will be sent to the Student Parliaments representatives by mail.

22 This is done to get the most updated minutes and minimize paper usage. Copies of each minutes will be
23 printed out and kept at the Student Democracy office, together with the case papers from the current
24 Student Parliament.

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

- 26 - The Student Board (AU)
- 27 - The University Board (US)
- 28 - Student Welfare Organization in Ås (SiÅs)

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30 Approved without objections.
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32 2412.2 Report from the Student Board (AU)

33 *Case responsible: The Student Board v/ Wilhelm*

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35 **Attachment 1:** Report from the Student Board

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37 The Student Board orients the student parliament.

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39 Student Parliament considers itself oriented.

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41 2412.2.1 Greeting to the Student Parliament from the Property department

42 Kristin Kreul architect from the Property department.

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45 2412.3 Report from the University Board and the SiÅs-board

46 *Case responsible: US v/ Eirik-Mathias and Emiline and SiÅs Board v/ Selma and Kim André*

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48 **Attachment 2:** Report from the University Board members

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50 Representatives from the University Board and the SiÅs-Board orients the student parliament.

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52 Student Parliament considers itself oriented.

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55 2412.4 Orientation about the Health Center

56 *Case responsible: The Student Board v/ Martine*

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58 **Purpose:**

59 The health centre has moved to Moer Helsehus and the subsidy from the Norwegian Directorate of Health
60 has been cut. This may have consequences for the operation, and in this regard we at AU have investigated
61 the matter and would like to make a briefing to the Student Parliament.

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63 **Background:**

64 In 2023, a halving of grant funding from the Directorate of Health was announced, to NOK 680,000, which
65 caused concern among the students and staff at the health centre. In addition to this, the health centre
66 has moved premises to Moer Helsehus, which has caused concerns that the service will become less
67 available.

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69 The health centre for young people and students is an important health service for students in Ås. The
70 health centre has found a place in several of the Student Democracy's political documents, and the
71 students have clearly expressed that the offer should continue. From the welfare policy document that
72 was adopted at Student Parliament 4 in 2023, it appears: *"The Student Parliament demands that the Health
73 Centre for students and youth is prioritized by all three financial contributors, and that the offer meets the
74 students' needs"*. In addition to this, the revised long-term strategy states that *"The health centre for youth
75 and students must continue, and the offer must be developed to meet the students' needs"*.

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77 The management at Preventive Health Services in Ås municipality has done a thorough job and managed
78 to restructure internally, so that the reduction in grants from the Directorate of Health will not affect the
79 operation of the Health Centre for Youth and Students in 2024.

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81 The operation of the Health Centre as we know it today is largely based on a tripartite collaboration
82 agreement between SiÅs, NMBU, and Ås municipality. This agreement will ensure that the students have
83 access to a wide range of health services. The collaboration agreement also specifies which professionals
84 are to be prioritized, and all parties still adhere to this agreement. This collaboration agreement applies
85 regardless of the cut from the Norwegian Directorate of Health.

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87 The development at the Health Centre is closely monitored by SiÅs Health, which works closely with the
88 Health Centre. This means that they regularly receive updates on how long the waiting time is and
89 communicate about other low-threshold offers that can help reduce the pressure on the Health Centre.
90 SiÅs Health has looked at how other associations run their business and whether there is anything that
91 can contribute to increase student welfare that can also be implemented here. SiO has been very
92 successful in redesigning the website so that it is more intuitive for students. SiO has created a separate
93 page on mental health that includes self-help and resources, courses, and an anonymous inquiry service.
94 This restructuring of the website has meant that the waiting time for mental health care has been
95 drastically reduced. Elements from this has already been implemented at SiÅs Health, by e.g. to make self-
96 help and anonymous inquiry services visible, and work is being done, among other things, on the
97 development of courses (such as Take the Word course and sleep course) and experience groups for e.g.
98 students with ADHD or Asperger's at the student life coordinator.

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100 It is important to see what the Health Centre offers in connection with other initiatives and offers students
101 have that can have a positive effect on mental health. Student volunteering and SiÅs Health have a great
102 focus on working proactively with this through low-threshold offers that give students the opportunity
103 to meet. This includes, among other things, the free loan of equipment from NMBUI Friluftsliv and Eika
104 sports centre (for EVERYONE, regardless of membership), Creative Evening with the student mentors at
105 the student life centre every Thursday, focus on Open Associations, Klubben at Samfunnet, conversation
106 offers with the student life coordinator, marking the World Day for Mental Health, activities and lectures
107 at the university library, Thursday quiz at Samfunnet, the distribution of welfare funds and much more.

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109 The current cooperation agreement between NMBU, SiÅs and Ås municipality has a provisional duration
110 until 2025, so we see no reason to resort to drastic measures due to the reduction in the grant. However,
111 we will follow up the matter closely in cooperation with SiÅs Health and the Health Centre itself. The
112 collaborative group for students' health and well-being, with representatives from AU, SIT, the
113 Department of Studies, SiÅs, the student chaplain, and the Health Centre has regular quarterly meetings.
114 This is an important forum for exchange of information and ensures close cooperation and good
115 communication about and with the students.

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117 Wilhelm from the Student Board presented the case.

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119 The Student Parliament considers itself oriented.

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122 2413 Elections and appointments

123 2413.1 Election for the committee for selecting the best lecturer of the 124 semester

125 *Case responsible: Election Committee*

126 **Purpose:**

127 Elect 4 members of the committee that selects the best educator of the semester. The position has a
128 duration of 1 year and is started immediately upon election.

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130 **Background:**
131 Every semester students will be voting for best educator. The purpose of this award is to encourage
132 educator to give outstanding education therefore providing an opportunity to reward excellence in
133 teaching. This award is an example of how NMBU works toward fostering an environment of academic
134 excellence. Voting is open to all students from both campuses.
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136 The Committee of the Best Educator of Semester consist of four students who will hold the position for a
137 year. A gender-balanced committee would be preferred in accordance with the Gender Equality Act
138 section. The Committee members are responsible for promoting and encouraging students to vote or/and
139 nominate educators. Committee members will also review submissions of educator candidates, attend
140 lectures of potential candidates and then finally decide on a winner. It is up to the members of the
141 committee to meet and work at their own convenience. The Vice-President of the Student Board will also
142 assist the committee.
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144 **Candidates:**

145 Silje Carlsen
146 Egil Natvik Vestrheim
147 Ove Andersen
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149 The Election Committee v/ Vegard presented the case.
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151 AU: We bench Ove Andersen – he accepted.
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153 The candidates presented themselves/ were presented.
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155 Acclamation was suggested.
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157 The candidates were elected by acclamation.
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159 **Decision:**

160 Silje Carlsen, Egil Natvik Vestrheim and Ove Andersen were elected as members of the committee for
161 selecting the best lecturer.

162 AU was given the authority to appoint the last candidate, given that they make sure that the candidate
163 chosen does not attend the same faculty as any of the other members.
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167 **2413.2 Supplementary election of a Control Committee member**

168 *Case responsible: Election Committee*

169 **Attachment 3: Instructions for the Control Committee**
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171 **Purpose:**

172 Supplementary election of one member of the Control Committee. The position will accede immediately
173 after SP 1 and last until 1st of July 2024.
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175 **Background:**

176 The Control Committee is responsible for ensuring that student democracy follows the rules for how we
177 organize ourselves. The Control Committee is an advisory body that is obliged to report to the Student
178 Parliament in the event of violation of the resolutions, guidelines, and rules of procedure. If there is

179 reason to believe that there has been a violation of the resolutions or guidelines, the Control Committee
180 may investigate the case both on request and on its own initiative. The control committee meets at the
181 Student Parliament, at the same time as they attend the planning meeting and the student council dinner
182 in advance. KK works closely with AU and the chairmen.

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184 This position is suitable for people who are structured, accurate and like to do work on details.

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187 **Candidates:**
188 Borgar Santrø

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190 The Election Committee v/ Vegard presented the case.

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192 Counting of the representatives eligible to vote: 23.

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194 **Vote for immediate instatement:**
195 For: 23
196 Against: 0
197 Abstinent: 0

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199 Immediate instatement was approved.

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201 The candidate presented himself.

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203 **Vote:**
204 Acclamation was suggested.

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206 The candidate was elected by acclamation.

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208 **Decision:**
209 Borgar Sandtrø was elected as a member of the Control Committee and immediately instated.

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213 2413.3 Supplementary election of 2 substitutes to the University's
214 Research Committee (UFU NMBU FU)

215 *Case responsible: Election Committee*

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217 **Purpose:**

218 Elect two substitute representatives to the Research Committee (FU). The position will accede
219 immediately after SP1 and will last until 30.06.2024.

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221 **Background:**

222 The Research Committee is NMBU's highest research policy body and shall provide advice and strategic
223 input to the University Board, Rector and Vice - Rector for Research, in matters concerning research,
224 innovation and dissemination. Typical issues you work with are research infrastructure, researcher
225 education, student-active and student-initiated research, and research publication. The Research
226 Committee has approx. eight meetings evenly distributed throughout the year. In addition, there are
227 usually two seminars a year.

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FU is led by the vice-rector for research and innovation, who is currently Finn-Arne Weltzien, and the secretary is the research director Vitalis Pavlovas. Furthermore, the committee consists of the research leaders / vice-dean for research and innovation for each of the seven faculties, a temporary scientific employee proposed by the vice-rector, two students, two PhD candidates appointed by the doctoral association at NMBU (SoDoc), and one employee in technical and administrative position.

The position is remunerated, including two hours with AU. In advance.

Substitutes candidates:

This case was stricken due to that candidates are not needed more.

Student Parliament approved to strike the election on the cause that the candidates are not needed.

245 **2414 Discussion Cases**

246 **2414.1 Discussion of the Long Term Strategy for SiÅs**

Case responsible: The Student Board v/ Martine

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249 **Attachment 4: Welfare Political Document**

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251 **Purpose:**

SiÅs will revise its strategic plan. In this context, SiÅs wants broad involvement from the student democracy. It is important that SiÅs' strategy responds to the major challenges that tomorrow's students will face, and input from today's students will contribute to us setting the right course for SiÅs for the next decade.

You will find questions for discussion further down in the document. As an appendix to this discussion, a welfare policy document is attached, as it includes a number of already adopted demands and wishes that the Student Democracy has for SiÅs.

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260 **Background:**

SiÅs' task is to facilitate life outside of studies for today's and tomorrow's students in Ås. This is the basis for SiÅs building and renting out student housing, running Eika Sports Centre, supporting team sports, having an academic bookshop in Boksmia, serving food in the canteens, and having a student life centre in close collaboration with the Health Centre for young people and students in Ås.

SiÅs is a non-profit business, however, must always secure a financial basis for further development and operation.

After the discussion round in the student councils and student parliaments, AU will summarize the students' input to SiÅs' long-term strategy.

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270 Questions for discussion in the student council and in student parliaments:

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272 **1. Vision for SiÅs 2025-2035:**

273 - What do you want to be the long-term objectives for SiÅs in the period 2025-2035? How would you describe an ideal SiÅs from a long-term perspective?

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276 **2. How to work to achieve the vision for SiÅs 2025-2035**

277 - Can you specify how SiÅs, still at an overall level, will work to achieve the vision you have drawn up?

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279 3. *Value base for SiÅs 2025-2035*
280 - Given the vision and the path forward to achieve it; What values do you think SiÅs should build on?
281 What values do you want to characterize SiÅs both day-to-day and in the long-term in order to
282 achieve the vision you have drawn up?
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285 4. *Business plan for SiÅs 2025-2035*
286 - Can you formulate and concretize SiÅs' business idea for the period 2025-2035, based on the
287 developed vision, the path towards the vision and the value base? How do you describe SiÅs' role in
288 society, who it is for, and how you will work to realize the vision?
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290 SiÅs Board president presented the case.
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292 Student Parliament discussed the case.
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295 2414.2 Resolution Open study environment

296 *Case responsible: William Dahl*

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298 **Attachment 5:** Resolution open study environment

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300 **Purpose:**

301 Discuss the submitted resolution about open student environment

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303 **Background:**

304 William Dahl has submitted the resolution Open student environment to be processed by the Student
305 Parliament. The resolution is about a cooperative use of campus areas.

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308 William presented the case.

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310 Student Parliament discussed the case.

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313 2414.3 Revision of the Rules for Welfare Funds

314 *Case responsible: The Student Board v/ Camila*

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316 **Attachment 6:** Proposed revised rule for allocation of Welfare Funds

317 **Attachment 7:** Current rules for allocation of Welfare Funds

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319 **Colour coding:** **Blue**=new **Purple**=Proposed to be removed **Yellow**=Uncertain, should be
320 discussed

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322 **Purpose:**

323 To discuss the revision of the regulations for the allocation of welfare funds

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325 **Background;**

326 A complete proposed amendment to the regulations for the allocation of welfare funds is found in the
327 attachment.

328 In the regulations for the allocation of welfare funds, it is stated that the regulations must be revised
329 every even-numbered year. The regulations, together with the application form and the process, create
330 a lot of unnecessary extra work for both applicants and those who read through them. Through our
331 work, we have focused on making the application process and allocation easier.
332 In the current text, the points do not follow a chronological order, and the rules are not intuitive. In
333 addition, there is a lack of information in certain areas, which results in extra work for both the
334 applicants and the recipients.
335 Otherwise, we would like feedback on the overall proposal we have submitted.

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337 Questions for debate (not in priority order);

- 338 - Do we want to increase the basic support for "Åpen forening"? Or are there other ways to
339 provide benefits that are more favourable and still benefit the majority of students, such as
340 providing funding for open activities?
- 341 - What do you think is an appropriate asset limit to be able to apply for activity funds?
- 342 - What do you think about the requirement for ethical guidelines? It is intended to contribute to a
343 safer student environment by ensuring that supported associations have measures in place to
344 deal with unwanted incidents, but is this too intrusive?
- 345 - What do you think of the new division? Are the regulations more clear and easier to use? Is
346 there anything important that you think is missing?

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348 The Student Board v/Camila presented the case.

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350 Student Parliament discussed the case.

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353 2414.4 Revision of the Rules for Inclusion Funds

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Case responsible: The Student Board v/ Camila

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Attachment 8: Proposed new rules for Inclusions Funds

Attachment 9: Current rules for Inclusion Funds

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359 **Colour coding:** **Blue**=new **Purple**=Proposed to be removed **Yellow**=Uncertain, should be
360 discussed

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362 Purpose:

363 Discuss the revision of the regulations for the allocation of inclusion funds

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365 Background;

366 In the regulations for the allocation of inclusion funds, it is not stated when it is to be revised. Following
367 feedback from the committee for distribution of inclusion funds and own experiences, a greater revision
368 of the regulations is desired. The regulations, together with the application form and process, create a
369 lot of unnecessary extra work for both applicants and those who read them. Through our work, we have
370 focused on making the application process and allocation easier.

371 A complete proposed amendment to the regulations for the allocation of inclusion funds is found in the
372 attachment.

373 Otherwise, we would like feedback on the overall proposal we have submitted.

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375 Questions for debate (not in priority order);

- 376 - How can we use inclusion funds to support activities that allow people from different countries
377 and cultures to exchange experiences and ideas?

- 378 - Do you think there should be a simple application process for inclusion funds, like the one used
379 for welfare funds?
380 - What types of activities can you imagine taking part in to get to know people from different
381 cultures better?

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383 The Student Board v/Camila presented the case.

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385 Student Parliament discussed the case.

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388 2414.5 Revision of the Statutes for the Student Parliament at NMBU

389 *Case responsible: The Student Board v/ Wilhelm*

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391 **Attachment 10:** Proposed amendments to the statutes

392 **Attachment 11:** Current Statutes

393 **Purpose:**

394 Discussing amendments to the statutes

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396 **Background:**

397 AU believes that some amendments to the articles of association are needed and wants to take a joint
398 case on this this spring. In the appendix you will find the current bylaws, where removals are marked in
399 purple and additions are marked in green. The reasons for the changes can be found in the appendix.
400 Note that this is a matter of discussion. The proposals will not be voted on until ST2.

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402 The Student Board v/ Wilhelm presented the case.

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404 Student Parliament discussed the case.

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407 2415 Other Cases

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409 There were no other cases.

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412 2416 Meeting Evaluation

413 Meeting evaluation was conducted.

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415 [Link to meeting evaluation form](#)

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417 **2417 Attachments**418 **2417.1 Attachment 1 Report from the Student Board**

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420 **Report from the Student Board**

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422 **Wilhelm**

423 The start of the semester has largely been characterised by planning for the coming semester. ALSO has
424 developed a promotion plan, which hopefully will allow us to reach out to repeats about all the exciting
425 things that are happening in student democracy. We have had dialogue meetings with the
426 communications department.

427 Together with the deans and the university management, we received a delegation from the University
428 of Agder, who wanted to learn more about how NMBU is organized. Here I had many good conversations
429 with the UiA delegation about student involvement and found that it was very positive to include students
430 themselves in the rector's management team.

431 The university's management team has participated in a two-day seminar to discuss NMBU's priorities
432 for the next year. The financial situation is heavy for repeated faculties, and it is difficult for the deans to
433 find good solutions to the problems. Staffing freezes have been introduced for repeat offenders.

434 The NSO delegation has had its first preliminary meeting and is eagerly waiting for the case papers to be
435 sent out in the near future.

436 The student council leaders have held kick-off meetings and are looking forward to the upcoming
437 semester.

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439 **Camila**

440 The start of the year has been varied, but a lot of time has gone into planning the upcoming semester and
441 producing student parliamentary papers. Responsible for the revision of heavy documents, such as
442 regulations for the allocation of welfare funds, as well as regulations for inclusion funds. In particular, the
443 sections on open association have been in focus, and I hope that this revision will make association life
444 even more accessible to the Ås students.

445 Has participated in the introuka for international students and introduced the working committee for the
446 new students.

447 Has participated in professional talks with NSO and participated in U5 gathering with the rest of AU.

448 Processing applications for welfare funds takes a lot of time and is a large piece of work to be carried out.
449 In the period leading up to the application deadline, I have answered many questions from the
450 associations, and planned an event that would help people write good applications. This was led by
451 Martine and William Dahl.

452 Have participated in digital meetings with ViN (Velferdsting i Norway) and look forward to a physical
453 meeting in Bergen soon. Has delegated further green office to a group of master students who will write
454 their master's thesis about the project.

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456 **Martine**

457 The start of the year has largely gone to planning the semester ahead. This includes student affairs, kick-
458 off conference and LMU to name a few. This semester, I am taking over as leader of LMU. This involves
459 some planning, and I have therefore spent some time in January planning agendas and finding good ways
460 to raise points from the Student Democracy policy in the committee. In this work, I have also been to a
461 meeting with the EIA to talk about the situation of the projects that LMU has initiated in the past. I will
462 inform more about this at student thing 2. In addition to the ordinary LMU meetings, the Study
463 Environment Prize will be awarded, and the nomination form is now open. With me on the committee I
464 have NAME (student representative), Bodil Norderval (study department) and Simon Gustafson
465 Bruerberg (student advisor KBM).

466 I have also participated in NSO's subject talks about quality of study and the learning environment. In this
467 forum, the various member associations meet to discuss relevant issues, while NSO provides information

468 about projects taking place nationally. This was very rewarding, and I think it will be exciting to follow
469 this as a forum for tips, tricks and experience exchange in the months to come.
470 Together with Wilhelm, I have also participated in an interview with Tuntreet about the health centre. A
471 briefing article has also been written about the situation of the child health centre after relocation and
472 cuts in funding from the Directorate of Health. It is exciting to see so much engagement around this case,
473 and I look forward to following up the situation further in the time to come.
474 As Head of Innovation, I have participated in a strategy meeting on student innovation where it was
475 discussed how NMBU should work with student innovation in the years to come.
476 Attended U5
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480 2417.2 Attachment 2 Report from the University Board

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482 Report from the University Board (US) to ST1

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484 To the Student Parliament (ST) 1,

485 Since the last Student Parliament, US has held a board meeting on 02.02 in accordance with adopted
486 meeting schedule for 2024.

487 Below is a link to a platform for sharing case papers and information about US meetings and
488 composition:

489 <https://opengov.360online.com/Meetings/nmbu/Boards/Details/342431>

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491 Next US meeting according to agreed meeting schedule will take place on 6th March and will be open
492 to the public. The location of the meeting has not been clarified at the time of writing but will be made
493 public with case papers for the meeting. The report from this meeting is briefed on Student
494 Parliament 2.

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496 We are always open to input from students on matters we work on or generally on the board
497 Therefore, just contact us if you have any questions, we will be happy to answer!

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513 **DECISION MATTERS**

 514 **Appointment of new honorary doctors at NMBU**

515 In the US case 2/24, US processed the faculties' submitted proposals for candidates who deserve an
 516 honorary doctorate at NMBU. In autumn 2023, the faculties were commissioned by the vice-chancellor
 517 to come up with proposals for candidates for honorary doctorates at NMBU, for the occasion of NMBU's
 518 celebration of ten years as a university. Awarding honorary doctors was last done in 2018 and is
 519 something that NMBU rarely does, which involves a lot of honour in the appointment of honorary
 520 doctors.

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522 The matter is not public, but the honorary doctorates will be announced in connection with the
 523 commemoration of the anniversary in the autumn of 2024.

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 525 **Appointment of pro-rector for education 2024-2025**

526 In US case 3/24, the US dealt with the vice-chancellor's appointment of a new pro-rector for education
 527 in 2024 to 2025. In autumn 2023, the incumbent pro-rector for education, Elise Nordberg, announced
 528 her resignation from the position and her return to her former position as professor at BIOVIT. For her
 529 department, she stated her desire to return to research, but emphasized the difficult decision due to
 530 job well-being and skilled colleagues.

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532 When asked why constitution was chosen as the recruitment method, the vice-chancellor replied that
 533 due to the duration of the remaining term, it is considered most practical to constitute a new pro-rector.
 534 The chairperson of US added to the discussion that the current vice-chancellor has not had the
 535 opportunity to form her own management team during this term as vice-chancellor, and that this trust
 536 should be shown to her by US. The other members of the board supported the chairman's input.

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538 The appointment of a new pro-rector for education and US' final decision are not public at the time of
 539 writing but will be announced to NMBU's students and staff as soon as a new employment relationship
 540 is established.

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 542 **School fees for the academic year 2024/25**

543 In the US case 4/24, the US dealt with the proposal on tuition fees for the academic year 2024/25 for
 544 foreign students outside the EU and EEA. Adopted rates are a continuation of last year's rates, as well
 545 as the creation of rates for study categories A and E. In preparing the proposal for the rates, the rates
 546 of universities with similar study portfolios and profiles are taken as a basis. The following rates were
 547 adopted by the US:

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Study category	Proposed tuition fees for 2024/25 (NOK)
A	275 000
B	225 000

C	150 000
D	125 000
E	85 000
F	80 000

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550 The students' US representatives made the US aware of the rates applicable at UiB, UiO and NTNU,
 551 which are significantly higher than at NMBU. For more information on these rates, please refer to the
 552 universities' own websites.

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554 **Revision of regulations on studies at NMBU**

555 In US case 5/24, US dealt with the vice-chancellor's proposal for changes to the regulations on studies
 556 at NMBU. The regulations form the legal platform that regulates both the students' and NMBU's rights
 557 and obligations towards each other in accordance with national regulations. It is US that has the
 558 authority to make changes to the regulations, pursuant to the Norwegian University of Applied Sciences
 559 Act.

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561 Below is a brief summary of the changes that have been made to the regulation:

- 562 - Linguistic adjustments and clarifications have been made in the regulations' chapter 6, §§ 6-1,
 563 6-3, and 6-4 regarding admission to higher year levels.
- 564 - Under chapter 7 on rights and duties, a sentence has been added to specify that students can
 565 have their rights to study revoked if they do not pay the semester fee. This sentence was added
 566 at the request of the faculties.
- 567 - In chapter 38 "Number of attempts to present oneself for assessment in a subject", an exception
 568 has been added to the rule of a maximum of three attempts to present oneself for assessment
 569 in the same subject. The exception applies to practical training periods in practical-pedagogical
 570 education (PPU) and lecturer training in science (LUR). These studies now have more detailed
 571 provisions; students can present themselves for assessment a maximum of two times during
 572 the internship periods. The proposal for the exception comes from the Department of Teacher
 573 Education and Educational Sciences (ILU) and is justified with regard to pupils' learning.
- 574 - In chapter 43 "Reasons for grade, complaint about grade or formal errors", a linguistic
 575 adjustment has been made to clarify the provision regarding complaints about a grade on a
 576 written work with an adjusting oral test.

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578 Proposed changes have been adopted by US and are reproduced in the case documents:

579 [https://opengov.360online.com/Meetings/nmbu/File/Details/1255140.PDF?fileName=Revidering%20](https://opengov.360online.com/Meetings/nmbu/File/Details/1255140.PDF?fileName=Revidering%20av%20forskrift%20om%20studier%20ved%20NMBU&fileSize=102208)
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582 **Vice-chancellor's performance targets**

583 In US case 6/24, US dealt with proposals for the vice-chancellor's performance targets for 2024 to 2025.
 584 These targets exist to guide and evaluate the vice-chancellor's efforts and achievements in accordance

585 with the university's strategic goals and visions. The result targets include important areas such as
586 reputation and network building, strategic management, culture building, and strategy implementation,
587 with a specific emphasis on positioning NMBU as a leading sustainability university. In order to ensure
588 an effective evaluation of the vice-chancellor's work, a process is proposed that includes the vice-
589 chancellor's self-reporting, dialogue with the chairman of the board, and an overall assessment by the
590 board. This system ensures a thorough and fair evaluation of the vice-chancellor's contribution to the
591 university's overall goals. The board requested goals that were somewhat more measurable, and that
592 goal achievement be weighted 50/50 between performance goals and in accordance with the
593 development agreement with the Ministry of Education. The chairman is authorized to make minor
594 changes to the proposed goals following the feedback that appeared in the meeting.

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596 **The board's self-evaluation**

597 In the US case 7/24, we discussed a questionnaire to be sent out anonymously to the board members for
598 self-evaluation. The questions are also intended for self-reflection and improvement of the board's
599 efficiency and cooperation. The questionnaire covers a wide range, from assessment of the quality of
600 information that the board receives, to the board's working dynamics and decision-making processes.
601 The self-evaluation is intended to promote an open and constructive dialogue within the board, as well
602 as to identify areas for improvement in how the board supports and challenges the university
603 management. The board supports the questions and there were no requests for changes at the meeting.

604 **NMBU audit plan 2024**

605 In the US case 8/24, KPMG presented proposals for internal audit projects for the year 2024. The audit
606 plan is a tool to ensure good internal control and efficient use of resources at the university. The plan
607 outlines the prioritized audit projects for the year, based on a risk assessment of the university's various
608 business areas. The projects that were assessed were:

- 609 - Administration and operation
- 610 - Research project: Is the university ready for central digitization processes and projects – for
611 example: Microsoft Copilot?

612 The board adopted the proposals in the set order.

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615 **ORIENTATION MATTERS**

616 **Internal auditor's annual report 2023**

617 In US case 1/24, KPMG submitted its annual report for 2023 which summarized the audit activities
618 carried out during the year, with a focus on evaluating and improving the university's processes. The
619 report confirms the audit's independence and objectivity and highlights a positive dialogue with
620 management on risk management and improvement measures. In particular, the need for a more
621 integrated approach to sustainability in business management and the operationalization of
622 sustainability strategies is mentioned.

623 Recommendations include clearer integration of sustainability in management, development of an
624 overall sustainability report, and improvements in information security based on a previous maturity
625 analysis. The report reveals a systematic follow-up of previous recommendations, but also points out
626 areas that require further effort. In the meeting, further information was requested for the board about
627 the follow-up of cases.

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629 Award letter from the Ministry of Education

630 In the US case 1/24, the board was briefed on the final allocation after Stortinget's consideration and the
631 specific expectations, requirements, and guidelines that the Ministry of Education sets for NMBU. The
632 award letter also includes expectations for follow-up of national announcements and policies, details of
633 NMBU's award for 2024 with adjustments after the Stortinget consideration, and specific reporting
634 requirements in areas such as greenhouse gas emissions, energy use, employment of people with
635 disabilities, reduction in the use of consultants, security and preparedness, information security,
636 provisions, investment plans, and condition assessment of buildings. The board must also take note of a
637 planned agency management meeting with the Ministry of Education. Some representatives from the
638 board will attend this meeting.

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640 The students' quarter

641 In US case 24/23, we presented follow-up cases from earlier, topics that have been in demand and what
642 we thought were noteworthy. The topics discussed were loneliness, notification routines, and SAIH. The
643 board asked if, for example, the students could prepare a document that could say something about what
644 the lecturers can do to counteract loneliness among the students.

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646 NMBU's quality report for education 2022/23

647 In US case 25/23, implemented and planned measures to improve study quality, strategic planning for
648 interdisciplinary competence and innovation, challenges, and strategies for student recruitment, as well
649 as student satisfaction and development of the physical and psychosocial learning environment are
650 highlighted. The university board must assess and decide on these points to ensure that NMBU
651 continued to offer relevant and high-quality education that meets the needs of the future.

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653 The learning environment committee's annual report 2022/23

654 In the US case 26/23, the report points to challenges such as tighter budgets and the need for better
655 coordination and implementation of measures across the institution. The vice-chancellor emphasizes
656 the importance of continuing the work for high student well-being, while at the same time
657 acknowledging that many students experience psychological difficulties. The annual report lays the
658 basis for further priorities and measures to strengthen the learning environment, including revision of
659 the campus development plan and development of competence modules for universal design and digital
660 dissemination. The board must assess the report and support measures to maintain and improve an
661 inclusive and supportive learning environment for all students at NMBU.

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663 Vice-chancellor's briefing

664 In US case 27/23, the vice-chancellor focused on several key areas at NMBU, including revision of the
665 internal funding system in light of changes in the Ministry of Education's funding model, measures for
666 restructuring due to tighter finances, and potential co-location of VET and BIOVIT to make use of the
667 university's buildings more efficiently. Furthermore, the introduction of a rental site model for better
668 management of infrastructure, NMBUs' contribution and visibility in Store Norske Leksikon, as well as
669 innovation activities and international research collaboration, including support from Scholars at Risk
670 and a new framework agreement with Norad, are discussed. The vice-chancellor also mentions the

671 creation of two new research centres, efforts for lifelong learning, positive results from the Study
672 Barometer 2023, challenges with the decline in international applicants due to tuition fees, and the
673 application to become a European University. These points reflect the university's strategic approaches
674 to quality improvement, economic sustainability, and internationalisation, as well as the vice-
675 chancellor's involvement in external activities and collaboration.

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677 2417.3 Attachment 3 Control Committee instructions
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679 Working instructions for the Control Committee

680 *Approved at Student Parliament 4, 09.09.2019*

681 Jurisdiction

682 The Control Committee is an advisory committee that reports to the Student Parliament should there be
683 a violation of statutes, guidelines or Rules of Procedure. If there is reason to believe there has been a
684 violation of statutes, guidelines or Rules of Procedure the Control Committee can, both by request or by
685 own initiative, investigate.

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687 Composition and duration

688 The Control Committee consists of a leader and 2 members. The leader does not have a double vote. The
689 committee is elected by the Student Parliament. The leader is elected at Student Parliament 6, while the
690 ordinary members are elected at Student Parliament 3. Members of the Control Committee sit for the
691 duration of 1 year.

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693 Tasks

694 The Control Committee's tasks:

- 695 • The Control Committee shall have overall supervision with that statutes, guidelines and Rules of
696 Procedure are followed.
- 697 • The Control Committee shall attend Student Parliament meetings with at least two (2) members.
- 698 • At Student Parliament at least 1/one member of the committee shall be a member of the Counting
699 Committee.
- 700 • The Control Committee shall deliver a written yearly report to the Student Parliament. This shall
701 be presented as an orientation case at Student Parliament 6.
- 702 • The Control Committee can assist other organs in the student democracy upon request.
- 703 • The Control Committee shall be represented by at least one (1) member at Student Council
704 dinners.

705 Before Student Parliament meetings the Control Committee can have meetings with AU, and potentially
706 the chairmen, to review cases.

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708 Distrust

709 Should a motion of distrust be presented, the involved parties may request a statement from the Control
710 Committee. This statement can only mention direct violations of the statutes, Rules of Procedure or
711 working instructions approved by the Student Parliament. The Control Committee shall not make
712 assessments of any other nature than whether there have been direct violations or not.

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714 Overlap

715 The vice president of the Student Board is responsible for making sure that the newly elected members
716 of the Control Committee have overlap. Overlap amongst other things means having meetings between
717 sitting and newly elected members before the next Student Parliament meeting. The meetings shall be
718 about the practice in the Control Committee as well as an orientation on any relevant cases.

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720 Other positions

721 Members of the Control Committee cannot at the same time have positions in the Student Democracy that
722 might impact their impartiality. Members of the committee cannot within the duration of their position
723 sit in the following committees:

- 724 - Student Board (AU)
- 725 - Student Parliament (representatives and chairmen)
- 726 - The University Board
- 727 - The Election Committee
- 728 - President of the SiÅs-Board

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730 **Changes to working instructions**

731 The working instructions for the Control Committee is approved by the Student Parliament by a qualified
732 majority. Suggestions to change the working instructions must be presented to and approved by the
733 Student Parliament.

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737 2417.4 Attachment 4 Welfare Political document

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739 **Welfare policy document for the Student Parliament at NMBU**

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Approved at Student Parliament 4, 11.09.2023

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Revised at Student Parliament 5, 09.10.2023

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743 The Student Welfare Political Document for the Student Parliament contains the demands and wishes of
744 the students concerning welfare services, both at the university, at the Student Union, locally and
745 nationally. The document is based on input obtained from the students from several meetings and will
746 be valid for 5 years. The document will form the basis for our work on Student Welfare Politics until the
747 document is revised again.

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749 **The responsibility of the Student Union**

750 The Student Union is the students' largest and most important provider of welfare services. Throughout
751 its work, the Union should focus on its purpose, which is to offer good welfare services to students.

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753 ***Canteen and food***

- 754 • Students have a financially pressured and unpredictable everyday life, and a good canteen service
755 must therefore be in place to ensure the students' welfare in everyday student life. The offer must
756 be varied, and at a price where students have both the opportunity and the desire to take
757 advantage of the offer.
- 758 • NMBU will contribute financially to the canteen on campus, in order to push prices down.
- 759 • The Union must have an attractive and versatile food offer, which at all times offers good
760 vegetarian and allergy-friendly offers in its canteens.
- 761 • The Union will work to increase the use of local food sources.
- 762 • Efforts will be made to cut food waste, and the Union will continuously work to find good
763 solutions for the use of surplus food.
- 764 • The canteens will have coffee-offers, where you get cheaper coffee if you bring your own coffee
765 cup.
- 766 • The food offerings must have a low or positive climate footprint. One must work for increased use
767 of locally produced and short-traveled food with a focus on sustainable production.

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769 ***Training***

770 The Student Union's work-out and gym offer is important in the strive for students' physical and mental
771 health. Eika is widely used by the student body and is important for both individual students and student
772 sports groups.

- 773 • The training offer shall be available to all students at NMBU.
- 774 • Membership at Eika should be cheaper for those who do not want to participate in group sessions.
- 775 • The Union will work to ensure that EIKA has modern and usable equipment that meets the user
776 base.
- 777 • Group lessons of varying activity and difficulty must be offered.
- 778 • In line with the growing student body, the Union will work to expand the training and work-out
779 offer, including increased outdoor exercise and cooperation with Ås municipality on gym halls.
- 780 • The Union will work to offer a competitive offer measured against other actors in Ås, and have
781 reasonable prices for students.
- 782 • The Union will collaborate with NMBUI to create an attractive and versatile training offer.

- 783 • Together with Ås municipality, the Union will work to ensure that students have access to a
784 swimming pool.

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786 *Bookshop*

787 To be able to study requires access to the syllabus literature, here Boksmia plays an important role as the
788 only physical provider of syllabus literature in Ås.

- 789 • The bookstore shall strive to have the syllabus literature required in the various subjects if this is
790 not possible to download from the internet. NMBU must ensure that SiÅs receives information
791 about the necessary teaching materials/ syllabus well in advance of the start of the semester.
792 • The bookstore will work to keep a competitive price for syllabus literature and stationery.
793 • The bookstore will work to operate in the most sustainable way possible.
794 • The bookstore will also facilitate the sale of used books.
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796 *Housing*

797 The students' main supplier of student housing will be the Student Union, but students are also
798 dependent on the private leasers to be able to offer all NMBU-students who want housing in Ås. Students
799 must live in safe housing, including ensuring students' living conditions in accordance with statutory
800 standards and regulations. The housing offer should cover the needs of the entire student body,
801 regardless of life situation.

- 802 • The Union must have enough housing to avoid housing queues.
803 • The Union's further development of student villages and student housing will take place in
804 consultation with the Student Parliament.
805 • Students should be able to live in the Student Union's housing for a total of 6 years. If necessary,
806 this should be expandable.
807 • Adequate security measures must be provided in the buildings that already exist and in new
808 buildings.
809 • The housing offer must include adequate parking spaces for both cars and bicycles, as well as
810 covered bicycle parking.
811 • On its website, the Union must have easily accessible information on what rights you have as a
812 tenant and where you can get assistance in relation to tenancy. This should also be in English.
813 • Information about how the allocation of student housing takes place should be easily accessible
814 to everyone, in both Norwegian and English.
815 • The Union shall have operations that have a long-term perspective. This means that pricing and
816 operation must take into account future renovations, upgrades and new builds.
817 • The Union must have homes that facilitate the possibility of having pets.
818 • The Union will have family apartments where students with families with children will be
819 prioritized.

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822 **Health**

823 An important factor for student welfare is good access to high-quality health services. This includes the
824 need for adequate and affordable health services to ensure a good quality of life for students.

- 825 • The Student Parliament requires that the health clinic for students and youth be prioritized from
826 all three financial contributors, and that the service meets the needs of the students.
827 • NMBU and the Union will cooperate and work proactively to safeguard the students' physical and
828 mental health.

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- Efforts will be made to ensure that students at Ås have at least one offer of GPs, dentists, psychologists, physiotherapy and other health services that are either free or have a student discount. These should preferably be within walking distance of campus.
 - Students will receive a student discount from an optician, as well as on glasses and lenses.
 - There should be free sanitary products such as sanitary pads and tampons available at public institutions.
 - The Student Parliament requires students to have access to free contraception.
 - The Union and NMBU shall acknowledge that the exam period causes increased stress for the students, and assist with offers that help lower stress levels.

839 **University**

840 The university has the overall responsibility for student welfare. All students are entitled to a safe
841 everyday student life. No one shall be subjected to harassment or other unwanted incidents, neither by
842 fellow students nor employees.

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- NMBU shall have good whistleblowing routines and have resource persons who can assist in whistleblowing cases.
 - NMBU will, in cooperation with SiÅs and Ås municipality, work actively to ensure safety on campus. This includes adequate lighting on campus, and resource persons to talk to.
 - NMBU shall contribute financially to the financing of student welfare.
 - NMBU will facilitate student activity on campus, also in the evenings.
 - NMBU shall have good communication and good cooperation with student volunteers and the Union.

852 **Social life and student volunteerism**

853 Volunteering is the cornerstone of student life at Ås. The student society, "Samfunnet", in Ås is the
854 primary provider of cultural activities, and together with cultural associations and the Student
855 Democracy, they provide significant leisure activities for the students in Ås.

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- Samfunnet will, together with other relevant actors, work for a diverse cultural offer to all students in Ås.
 - Samfunnet will work to increase the capacity for use of the premises for activities such as rehearsals and meet-ups.
 - Efforts will be made to expand Samfunnet, so that the capacity corresponds to a greater extent with the student body.
 - It will be facilitated for students who engage in larger student volunteer positions in the Student Democracy, NMBU, SiÅs and Samfunnet.
 - It is necessary that all students have the opportunity to become members of an association.
 - The Student Board will, together with the Student Union, work to maintain and further develop the concept of "Open Association".
 - Efforts will be made to ensure that there is a platform that shows and informs students about all open events from NMBU, the Student Society (Samfunnet), associations and other actors.
 - The Student Union and Samfunnet shall contribute to making open associations visible.
 - Efforts will be made to promote a safe and inclusive culture in the student community at Ås and at the same time encourage more associations to be open.

873 **Transport**

874 Students make up a diverse group. Some come from far away and are dependent on public transport,
875 while others use private cars. There is therefore a need for good solutions that meet the students'
876 different needs, both in terms of public transport and facilitation of the use of private cars.

- 877 • All students, regardless of age, should have a student discount of at least 50% on public transport.
- 878 • There must be at least 4 train departures per hour from Ås station in both directions, with later
879 departures at the weekend.
- 880 • Ås municipality, NMBU and SiÅs will together ensure that there is a loan offer for bicycles in Ås,
881 including bicycles with boxes.
- 882 • Carpooling should be encouraged for both students and staff.
- 883 • fees should, as far as possible, avoid affecting students who use the car parks, as long as they live
884 outside a certain distance from the university, where there is no satisfactory public transport
885 service Income from parking fees should come from the employees at NMBU, since the employees
886 are better financially disposed for a parking fee.
- 887 • NMBU will provide benefits to employees and students who choose to commute by public
888 transport.
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890 **Economy**

891 In order to be full-time students and contribute to the cultural and social life of students, one is dependent
892 on adequate student's financial support. For those students who go into work placement, many lose the
893 opportunity for income over time, especially if they have to go away for work placement.

- 894 • Students will receive 1.5G in student aid which will reduce the need for extra part-time work to
895 cover living costs. The student aid must be paid out over 12 months.
- 896 • The student welfare association, together with the rest of the country's associations, will work
897 actively to increase the student aid to 1.5G."
- 898 • Compulsory study-related activities and any travel to and from these shall be free of charge.
- 899 • Efforts will be made to ensure that students receive payment for work experience.
- 900 • Students in compulsory work placement/practical training shall not have any expenses related
901 to their residence or travel for practical training.
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904 **Ås Municipality**

905 As the host municipality, Ås municipality has a responsibility to look after the students on an equal footing
906 with those who are permanently resident in the municipality. The municipality is responsible for
907 providing services that students can also use, for example in health. This also involves marketing this
908 offer to the students.

- 909 • The municipality must have sufficient kindergarten places for students who need it, with flexible
910 admissions not limited to specific parts of the year.
- 911 • The municipality must ensure that students are able to get a GP in the municipality.
- 912 • The municipality shall acknowledge and support the work that is done in the Student Society
913 (Samfunnet) in Ås and the importance of the cultural offer it provides to the students.
- 914 • The municipality shall make maximum provision for the activity at and around the Student
915 Society (Samfunnet) in Ås.
- 916 • The municipality will support the student sports offers by, among other things, looking at the
917 possibilities of giving students access to the municipality's own training facilities.
- 918 • The Municipality should make sure that forests and outdoor life offers are well maintained.

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- The Student Board, represented by the chairman, shall provide information on relevant student issues at at least one municipal council meeting per year. If necessary, other relevant actors within student volunteerism can and should be involved.
 - Students will be both informed and have the opportunity to contribute their views on issues in the municipality that affect them.
 - The grant from the state to the student welfare associations' long-term welfare offer is to be increased to 83 million kroner.
 - - The Directorate of Health's grant scheme for measures for students' mental health and substance abuse to be increased to NOK 45 million.
 - - The subsidy rate for student housing construction at the student cooperatives shall be set at 40 per cent of the cost frame.
 - - The cost framework for student housing construction must be adjusted annually according to the construction cost index.
 - - Regulation on grants for student accommodation Section 3 is amended so that grants are opened up for upgrading student accommodation.
 - - Arrangements must be established that contribute to increased sustainability in the student welfare associations' student housing.

939 2417.5 Attachment 5 Resolution open study environment/
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941 **Resolution for an open study environment**
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943 NMBU has many different reading rooms, canteens, group rooms and meeting spaces available to
944 students. This is a good offer that gives the students a varied working environment with many options,
945 and is, presumably outside the lectures themselves, the most important thing NMBU offers students. In
946 addition to purely academic work, these spaces also provide an opportunity for mingling and social input
947 outside of Samfunnet i Ås' somewhat more festive offer.
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949 Unfortunately, in recent years we have seen that faculties choose to reserve their reading rooms and
950 group rooms for their own students; often with the argument that they must secure places for their own.
951 Problems with lack of space both in regular reading rooms and group rooms, in addition to master's
952 places, are not a (new or) unknown problem here at NMBU, and with budget cuts it is unlikely to be solved
953 anytime soon.
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955 When some faculties reserve premises only for their own students, there will naturally be fewer
956 opportunities for the rest of the student body. When other faculties see this, we are in danger of a domino
957 effect where several faculties also close their premises to externals, in order to secure their own places.
958 Rather, we want a unified study environment, with a common Campus. Campus Ås is, after all, used in
959 most of NMBU's marketing. Then the entire campus should be accessible to all students.
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961 In NMBU's long-term strategy, under strategic ambitions, it is stated: "*NMBU must have close cooperation*
962 *across faculties and administrative units. Infrastructure, buildings, outdoor areas, and scientific equipment*
963 *must be used together*". This ambition should lead to action, and not just remain empty words. In this way,
964 the student body can belong to the entire university, and not just its own faculty.
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966 The Student Parliament at NMBU believes that:

- 967 • Efforts must be made to prevent the closure of several existing premises.
- 968 • New premises must be made available to the entire student body.
- 969 • Work will be done towards the reopening of reading rooms and group rooms, which are
970 unfortunately already closed to the majority of students at NMBU.
- 971 • Booking possibilities for group rooms must be equal across faculties.
- 972 • NMBU must oblige to maintain all reading rooms and study rooms in the same way, regardless of
973 faculty.
- 974 • It must be ensured that the university remains one Campus and that the individual faculties are
975 not isolated.

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979 2417.6 Attachment 6 Suggested revision of the rules for Welfare funds
 980 **Revised Regulations for the allocation of welfare**
 981 **funds**

Adopted at Student Parliament x, xx.xx.xxxx

983 In these regulations you will find information about the allocation of welfare funds. These regulations
 984 provide a comprehensive overview of the allocation of welfare funds, including the definition and
 985 purpose of these funds as well as the process both before and after the allocation. Other potential
 986 sources of support administered by the Student Democracy at NMBU are also presented here.

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1007 **1. Type of funds**

1008 The Student Democracy is responsible for distributing funds for various purposes. We have different
 1009 types of funds for this. It is important to note the type of funds available in order to be able to apply
 1010 for the right activities. This will increase the likelihood of the application being approved. In this
 1011 chapter you can read about Welfare funds and a short introduction about Inclusion funds.

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1013 **1.1 Welfare funds**

 1014 **Purpose and expectation**

1015 Welfare funds are distributed to teams and associations at NMBU to contribute to a lively, diverse, and
 1016 inclusive student environment. The funds mainly support activities at Campus Ås. All teams and
 1017 associations at NMBU can apply for welfare funds.

1018 The welfare funds consist of basic support, start-up support, activity funds and funds for professional
 1019 and political events. 92% of the welfare funds are distributed at the Student Parliament 2 in the spring,
 1020 and the remaining 8% are distributed at the Student Parliament 5 in the autumn. **Funds distributed
 1021 at the Student Parliament 5 are reserved for newly started teams and associations, certain
 1022 activities for open associations** (see section 2.7 Open association), as well as unforeseen
 1023 activities.

1024 Applicants are expected to familiarize themselves with the content of these regulations. Including, in
 1025 particular, sub-chapters "type of funds", "requirements for applicants", "not eligible for support" and
 1026 "violation of guidelines".

1027 If the application sums exceed the available funds at the time of allocation, priority will be given to the
 1028 most complete applications.

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 1030 **1.1.1 Basic support**

1031 The basic support will cover the necessities that the association needs to be able to continue with
 1032 activities that are open to all students on campus.

1033 **Who can apply?:** The basic grant is an award that all teams and associations can apply for, **except for
 1034 teams and associations that already receive another form of basic grant from the student democracy.**
 1035 To define yourself as an association, you must have at least 10 members. The exception is for
 1036 associations over 10 years old, in which case there must be at least 5 members. Everyone who applies
 1037 must be able to show a purpose clause.

1038 **How can you apply and when is the deadline?:** Teams and associations can apply for and receive
 1039 basic support **once a year**, either at the spring allocation or autumn allocation. The exception to this is
 1040 if **an open association experiences being promoted to a new category due to increase in membership,
 1041 then they can apply for the interim payment at the autumn allocation.** For more about the application,
 1042 see chapter 2. Application process.

1043 **Report and refund:** See separate sub-chapter 3.1 Refund and 3.2 Transfer of money (Redistribution).

1044 **Other important information:** The basic support for teams/associations is calculated based on the
 1045 number of members who are students at NMBU.

Number of members	Basic support	Basic support Open Association
10 – 39	800	1500
40 – 99	1300	2500
100 <	1500	3000

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1048 **1.1.2 Start-up support**

1049 Teams and associations that are less than 2 years old can receive start-up support of NOK 2,000 once
1050 during the first 2 years. The support is intended to make the establishment process easier. To be
1051 eligible for the support, the team or association must have at least 10 members who are students at
1052 NMBU.

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1054 **1.1.3 Activity funds**

1055 **The activity funds will go to social events that are open to all students at NMBU**, and activities that
1056 include and motivate students to attend.

1057 The goal must be to stimulate an active and inclusive student environment. The activity funds must
1058 go to activities on or near the Ås campus, but the committee can make exceptions at its discretion.

1059 **Who can apply:** Only teams and associations can apply for activity funds.

1060 The committee for the allocation of welfare funds must prioritize activities that are open to many or
1061 all students. The committee can prioritize activities that preserve traditions, the diversity of the
1062 student environment or that create life on campus. Associations with "open association" certification
1063 must be prioritized in the distribution, see subsection 2.7 Open association.

1064 Applicants are divided into subject-wise groups. The group division will affect the allocation of activity
1065 funds. The group division helps ensure that similar teams/associations are treated equally. The
1066 committee for the allocation of welfare funds takes into account the number of applicants in each
1067 group and the group's financial needs.

1068 **How can you apply and when is the deadline?: See separate chapter 2. Application process**

1069 **Report and refund:** See separate sub-chapter 3.1 Refund and 3.2 Transfer of money (Redistribution).

1070 **Other important information:** The funds allocated by the committee are earmarked for the specific
1071 expenses applied for and should not be used for other unforeseen purposes. Any redistribution of
1072 these funds, which are planned to be used for alternative activities or purposes than those originally
1073 applied for, is possible, but requires a formal application in advance. For further guidelines regarding
1074 redistribution, please see subsections 3.3 and 2.3 on violation of guidelines.

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1076 **1.1.4 Funds for Academic and political events**

1077 Funds for academic and political events are welfare funds earmarked for community meetings,
1078 academic or political events on Campus Ås, for example debates and lectures. The event must be open
1079 to all students. The Student Parliament sets aside funds for academic and political events every even-
1080 numbered year at the Student Parliament 6. The amount set aside must be calculated to be up to 15%
1081 of the welfare funds.

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1083 **Who can apply?:** All teams/associations, including the Student Association in Ås (Samfunnet in Ås),
1084 can apply for funds for academic and political funds until the pot is empty.

1085 **How can you apply and when is the deadline?:** Applications for funds for academic and political
1086 events are made through the application form no later than (3) weeks before the event. **The**

1087 application form is administered by the welfare officer in the Student Parliament's Student board. The
1088 welfare officer can make a discretionary assessment if applications are received with less than 3
1089 weeks to the event.

1090 **Report and repayment:** After the professional or political meeting, the organizer must submit a
1091 report through an application form that applicants can find on the website. Responsible for this is the
1092 Welfare Officer from the Student Parliament's Student board. This must be submitted no later than 1
1093 month after the meeting has ended and must contain receipts for expenses and purchases.

1094 **Other important information:** AU processes applications for academic and political funds together
1095 in meetings which are recorded. Activities/initiatives cannot be supported by both the activity funds
1096 and funds for academic and political events. If there are funds for academic and political events left
1097 over from the next allocation of welfare funds, these will be transferred to the Student Welfare Fund.
1098 You can read more about the Welfare Fund in chapter 4. The Student Welfare Fund.

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1100 1.2 Inclusion funds

1101 The main aim of the inclusion funds is to promote the inclusion of international students in the student
1102 environment at NMBU. The inclusion funds will contribute to this by creating contact between
1103 Norwegian and international students and giving international and Norwegian students an arena to
1104 share knowledge about culture, language, and history. Students who apply for support for larger
1105 social/proactive activities or initiatives will be prioritized (for example groups of more than ten
1106 people).

1107 **Who can apply?:** All teams/associations, including the Student Association in Ås, and individual
1108 students at NMBU.

1109 **When is the deadline:** These funds are distributed once a month throughout the year.

1110 **Further provisions:** You can read more about these in a **separate regulation** on our website > funds
1111 > inclusion funds

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1113 2. Application process

1114 2.1 Requirements

1115 Requirements for applicants

1116 - The applicant must be a team or association at NMBU

1117 - The team or association must have at least 10 members, but for associations over 10 years
1118 old, the requirement is at least 5 members

1119 - Applicants must have an association account

1120 - The team or association is expected to have adopted internal ethical guidelines. This is
1121 necessary to ensure that activities organized by teams and associations are in accordance with
1122 the values of student democracy. Through this initiative, we want to promote a safe and
1123 inclusive student environment.

1124 Application requirements

1125 - The applicant must state assets, all funds available to the team or the association at the time
1126 of application. It is not sufficient to state the current account balance.

1127 - An updated list of members must be attached to the application

1128 - The application must contain an annual report with accounts. This applies to funds
1129 distributed by the student democracy (Welfare and Inclusion) for more information see
1130 section 3.1 Refund.

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1132 2.2 The group division is as follows:

1133 *Line associations*

1134 The line associations organize students at Campus Ås' faculties or study programmes. The line
1135 associations promote the students' academic interests through company presentations and
1136 professional evenings and create unity through social events.

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1138 *Music, culture, local associations, and others*

1139 **Music and culture** include choirs, bands, music groups, dance teams, theatre groups, film clubs,
1140 photography clubs, and exclusive associations.

1141 **Local associations** are teams and associations and teams that promote a common belonging to a city,
1142 county, or part of the country.

1143 **Others** are teams/associations that promote a common interest, and teams/associations that give
1144 students a sense of social belonging and identity on the basis of conditions that do not fall under other
1145 groups of teams/associations.

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1147 *Politics, social engagement, religion, and internationally oriented organisations*

1148 Politics, community involvement and religion are political organizations, organizations that promote
1149 community involvement or specific community interests, and religious organizations.

1150 Internationally oriented organizations focus their attention on the international community. The
1151 organizations spread knowledge to Campus Ås' students about international affairs, work for more
1152 contact between students at Campus Ås and the international community or ensure the flow of
1153 knowledge between Campus Ås' students and students from other countries.

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1155 2.3 Violation of the guidelines

1156 If the welfare funds are used for something that the welfare funds do not support, this may trigger
1157 sanctions. The mildest form of sanction is a warning, while the most severe is exclusion from the next
1158 two allocations. The Student board has the authority to give the sanctions warning and repayment. If
1159 the case is of a higher degree of seriousness, the case will be sent to the student council, and will be
1160 treated as a complaint there.

1161 Teams/associations that do not repay unused activity funds by the deadline (our next application
1162 deadline) will not receive new welfare funds until the unused funds have been repaid. **For more on**
1163 **repayment see section 3.2 Transfer of money (Redistribution).**

1164 Teams and associations that express differential treatment or discrimination on the basis of gender,
1165 ethnicity, religion, outlook on life, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression
1166 in their statements and/or actions will not be able to receive welfare funds. Exceptions to this apply
1167 to special arrangements where the differential treatment has a substantive purpose, e.g. in the case of
1168 gender-segregated associations or local associations.

1169 If a breach of the guidelines for welfare funds is discovered, a complaint can be submitted. All students
1170 at NMBU can submit a complaint, which is sent to the Student Parliament's Student board.

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1172 2.4 Not eligible for support

1173 The welfare funds do not support:

1174 - Activities within the team/association or between specially selected teams/associations.
1175 Line associations are exempt from this.

1176 - In the main, events that are not on or near the campus are not supported. **The Committee for**
1177 **Allocation of Welfare Funds reserves the right to make discretionary exceptions.**

1178 - **Revues or activities that are financially supported by the Student Association in Ås.**
1179 **Exceptions to this are activities for professional and political funds, see subsection 1.1.4 Funds**
1180 **for professional and political events.**

1181 - Transport and travel allowance.

1182 - Teams/associations or activities that belong to other teams/associations that already receive
1183 welfare funds.

1184 - Teams/associations supported by the semester fee, for example NMBUI teams.

1185 - Alcohol, nicotine and other drugs.

1186 - Activities where the aim is to make money for the team/association and/or for other
1187 organisations, for example selling waffles.

1188 - Financial support for other organisations.

1189 - Economic enterprises.

1190 - Association attire. **Organizations with "Open association certification" are exempt from this**
1191 **for new members. See subsection 2.7 Open association.**

1192 - Teams/associations that discriminate or discriminate, see chapter 1.8 Violation of the
1193 guidelines.

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1195 2.5 Deadlines

1196 2.5.1 Announcement of the application form and regulations

1197 The regulations are available at <https://www.studentdemokratiet.no/velferdsmidler> throughout the
1198 year. Application forms are made available at the beginning of January for the spring allocation and at
1199 the beginning of August for the autumn allocation. The application form is open for at least 1 month
1200 before the application deadline. The Student Parliament's Student board markets the welfare funds
1201 well in advance of the application deadline.

1202 2.5.2 Application deadline

1203 The application deadline in the spring is 10 February and the application deadline in the autumn is 10
1204 September. Should the set deadline fall on a holiday or weekend, the deadline will be the first working
1205 day after the holiday or weekend. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be processed.

1206 **If you are wondering which deadline applies to your association/team, see sub-chapter 2.1**
1207 **Welfare funds - Purpose and expectation.**

1208 2.5.3 Processing deadline

1209 The allocation of welfare funds is decided by the Student Parliament at Student Parliament 2 and the
1210 result is announced at studentdemokratiet.no, and through minutes from the Student Parliament at
1211 <https://www.studentdemokratiet.no/studentting>. All applicants receive a reply letter no later than 2
1212 weeks after the award has been approved at the Student Parliament, with the award attached. You
1213 yourself are responsible for investigating how much and for what your own association has received
1214 money for. Welfare funds are awarded no later than two weeks after the award has been approved at
1215 the Student Parliament.

1216 2.5.4 Appeal deadline

1217 Complaints about the allocation of welfare funds must be submitted in writing to the **Welfare Officer**
1218 **at the** Student Parliament's Student board no later **than 5 working days after the reply letter has**
1219 **been received.** All teams/associations are entitled to thorough complaint processing, and a written
1220 response.

1221 2.6 Application

1222 All teams and associations that apply for welfare funds must use the prescribed application form.

1223 Application must contain:

1224 - Teams/associations must attach a member list with the student share to the application form.

1225 - Teams/associations applying for activity funds must attach information about the activities
1226 for which funds are sought and a budget for all activities.

1227 - It must be clearly stated in the budget for each activity what the welfare funds are to be used
1228 for. Applications without a budget shall not be awarded funds.

1229 - Teams/associations that received activity funds in the previous allocation must attach an
1230 annual report for the activities and accounts. New teams / associations that only received basic
1231 support at the previous award do not need to attach an annual report.

1232 - Teams/associations that submit an incomplete application will, if it is submitted before the
1233 deadline, get a second chance to improve the application, with the deadline set by the welfare
1234 officer.

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1236 For questions about the application form or the regulations, the welfare officer at AU can be contacted
1237 at studenttinget@nmbu.no

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1239 **Applications received after the deadline will not be processed.**

2.7 Open association

"Open association" certification should motivate associations to be open and organize activities aimed at all students at NMBU.

To become an open association, the following criteria must be met:

- No admission requirements
- Membership fee of a maximum of NOK 100 per semester
- Continuous admission and no maximum number of members
- At least 4 events per semester that are open to all students at NMBU
- The events can be conducted in English if English-speaking students join

Benefits:

- Preferential right to distribution
- The requirement that 75% of the association's/team's members must be members of Samfunnet for lending the premises is removed for open associations (this does not apply to larger events that require the hire of premises)
- Open associations can apply for funds to cover association clothing for new members. This can be applied for both at the spring and autumn allocation due to increase in the number of new members.
- Open associations can exceptionally receive funding for activities outside the campus.
- Open associations can apply for basic support twice a year for both the spring and autumn allocations. (due to the increase in the number of members during a semester), see subsection 1.1.1 Basic support.
- "Open association" certification can ask for practical help with marketing
- Teams and associations with "open association" certification must be marked with an open association stamp

It is important to note that "Open associations" still reserve the right to exercise discretion and exclude members who do not comply with the team's or association's guidelines.

2.8 Assignment

2.8.1 Processing of applications and the committee for the allocation of welfare funds

2.8.1a Mandate

The committee for the allocation of welfare funds processes all applications and proposes an allocation of the welfare funds for the Student Parliament. The committee assesses the content of the applications against the purpose of the welfare funds. The committee evaluates the allocation process and proposes any changes to the regulations and application form, see also chapter 7 Revision.

1276 **2.8.1b Composition**

1277 The committee for the allocation of welfare funds consists of:

- 1278 • Responsible for welfare from the Student Parliament's Student board (head of the
1279 committee).
- 1280 • Head of the committee for inclusion funds (if this is also responsible for welfare funds,
1281 another representative from the Student board steps into the role).
- 1282 • The chief financial officer in the Norwegian Community Board.
- 1283 • A student representative on the SiÅs board.
- 1284 • A person who has participated in previous years' allocation.
- 1285 • 2 representatives elected by the Student Parliament. The representatives are elected at
1286 Student Parliament 4 in the autumn to sit on the committee for the following academic year.

1287 **2.8.1c Decision-making ability**

1288 The committee has decision-making power when at least three representatives are entitled to vote.
1289 Members of the committee are not entitled to vote and must not be present when the committee
1290 discusses associations of which they themselves are or have been a member. If this applies to the
1291 person responsible for welfare funds, the person in question presents the application and then leaves
1292 the room. The person responsible for welfare funds can only be contacted for direct questions about
1293 the application.

1294 **2.8.1d Working method**

1295 The person responsible for welfare funds reads through all the applications and draws up an overview
1296 of the applications and a preliminary proposal for allocation. The committee meets 1-2 times before
1297 Student Parliament 2, and 1-2 times before Student Parliament 5. The committee goes through all the
1298 applications and adjusts the proposal to be responsible for welfare funds.

1299 Should a case arise where there is doubt as to whether an applicant is entitled to welfare funds, then
1300 it is up to the committee for the allocation of welfare funds, after conversation and discussion with the
1301 contact person behind the application, to make a discretionary assessment as to whether the applicant
1302 is entitled to support from the welfare funds. The person responsible for welfare funds presents the
1303 committee's recommendation at the Student Parliament. In advance of the student parliament
1304 meeting, teams/associations can have a meeting with the person responsible for welfare funds to
1305 discuss the allocation and any ambiguities. Questions/comments are directed to the person
1306 responsible for welfare funds and not to the committee members personally.

1307 **2.8.2 Resolution**

1308 The Student Parliament approves the allocation of welfare funds. The Student Parliament can make
1309 changes to the proposal to the committee for the allocation of welfare funds. The welfare funds have
1310 a main allocation at Student Parliament 2 in the spring and a smaller allocation at Student Parliament
1311 5 in the autumn.

1312 **2.9 Report**

1313 In the application for allocation, it is necessary to include an annual report documenting that allocated
1314 funds have been used in accordance with the purposes for which the application was made. This
1315 report should contain the following information:

- 1316 - What Basic support/start-up support was used for, applicants must be able to provide
1317 receipts for outlays and purchases
- 1318 - A description of the event
- 1319 - The place where the event was held
- 1320 - The number of participants
- 1321 - To what extent the target group was reached

1322 In addition to the report, it must be accompanied by an Excel document with accounts. This account
1323 must clearly show:

- 1324 - Amount that was allocated per event
- 1325 - Amount spent per event
- 1326 - Total amount awarded
- 1327 - Total amount spent
- 1328 - Any money left over
- 1329 - Any transfer/redistribution of money that has been made. From activity, to activity, and how
1330 much was redistributed.

1331 It is also important to point out that the Student Parliament's Student board has the right to request
1332 the submission of receipts to verify expenses.

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1334 3. After the application process

1335 3.1 Refund

1336 All funds that have not been used by the end of the calendar year must be repaid.

1337 When repaying welfare funds, the applicable sum must be paid to account no. 1654.20.29092, and the
1338 payment must be marked with "Project 111, Welfare funds, *association name*".

1339 **If the funds are not repaid within the application deadline, the team/association will not be**
1340 **awarded welfare funds until the money has been paid in.**

1341 3.2 Transfer of money (Redistribution)

1342 Teams and associations can, upon application, request that funds be transferred from one activity to
1343 another. Teams/associations can also apply to use welfare funds between the end of the calendar year
1344 and the application deadline. The activities must be assessed on the same basis as the rest of the
1345 welfare funds and must follow the same guidelines.

1346 **How can you apply?:** Redistribution is sought through an application form that you can find
1347 on the Student Democracy's website. The welfare officer is responsible for this.

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1349 **Other demands:**

1350 - It must be clearly stated in the report that the transfer has taken place.

1351 - The use of funds must take place during the same calendar year

1352 - Activity funds that have not been used at the end of the calendar year must be repaid. More
1353 information on sub-chapter 3.8 Repayment

1354 - The transfer or use of money between the end of the calendar year and the application
1355 deadline must be specified and justified in the annual report attached to the application next
1356 year

1357 3.3 Complaint

1358 3.3.1 Processing of appeals in case of award

1359 If the association/team disagrees with the award, a complaint must be lodged. This must be sent to the
1360 student parliament at studenttinget@nmbu.no. This must be done before the next upcoming student
1361 parliament meeting after allocation.

1362 Complaints must be processed by the Student Parliament's Student board. A written response must be
1363 sent from the head of the Student Parliament's Student board to the submitter of the complaint within 5
1364 working days. Should the appeal be upheld, the money will be distributed at the next allocation of
1365 welfare funds.
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1368 3.3.2 Handling of appeals in the event of a breach of guidelines

1369 If AU receives a complaint about a breach of the regulations, AU must review the complaint in a
1370 recorded meeting. The association that has had a complaint lodged against it must be informed and
1371 given an opportunity to explain what the situation is. AU must decide which sanction should be
1372 introduced. See subsection 2.3 Violation of guidelines and subsection 3.3 Complaint.

1373 If AU considers the case to be of the most serious degree, it must be brought before the student council.
1374 Individuals, teams, or associations who have submitted or received a complaint against them will be
1375 able to comment on the matter in writing or orally at the Student Parliament.
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1377 When the case is to be dealt with at the Student Parliament, it is presented in a neutral way by AU.
1378 Qualifications for the student parliament representatives are dealt with cf. eligibility point in the
1379 Student Parliament's statutes.
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1381 The Student Parliament decides whether the team's/association's behaviour contravenes the
1382 regulations. If the complaint is approved by the student parliament, the decision becomes effective from
1383 that student parliament meeting.
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1386 4 The Students' Welfare Fund and project account

1387 In 202*, the Student Parliament's Student board in collaboration with SiÅs created 3 project accounts.
1388 project account 111, to Welfare funds, project account 112, to Inclusion funds and project account 113
1389 to Buddy Week. These should ensure that funds that are not used up in the calendar year can be
1390 transferred to the next calendar year. Funds that are repaid and marked with a project number remain
1391 in the fund and can be distributed at the next allocation.

1392 Welfare funds that are not used up are deposited into the Student Welfare Fund. Any profits from the
1393 Student Parliament's operations are deposited into the Student Welfare Fund.

1394 The fund is used for larger investments that will benefit everyone over time. It is the Student
1395 Parliament that decides whether it will be used by the Students' Welfare Fund, following a joint
1396 proposal from the Chair of the Student Parliament's Student board, the chair of the SiÅs board and the
1397 Leader of Samfunnet.

5 Revision of regulations

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1399 The regulations are revised by the Student Parliament every even-numbered year. Revision of
1400 regulations is a matter for discussion at ST-4 and a matter for decision at ST-6. The new version is put
1401 into use after it has been adopted by the Student Parliament. Student Parliament 6 every even-
1402 numbered year adopts the percentage rates for allocations of welfare funds, spring and autumn.

1403 The welfare officer at AU must, together with the rest of the committee for allocation, review the
1404 application form before each main allocation, and possibly deal with necessary revisions.

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1407 2417.7 Attachment 7 Current Rules for allocation of Welfare funds

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Rules and regulations for the allocation of Welfare Funds

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1 The Welfare Funds

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1.1 Purpose

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The Welfare Funds are allocated to student fraternities and organizations at Campus Ås who contribute to a vibrant, diverse and including student life. The welfare funds mainly support activities at campus Ås. All fraternities and organizations at Campus Ås can apply for welfare funds.

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The Welfare Funds consist of basic support, startup support, activity funds and funds for academic and political events. 92 % of the welfare funds are allocated at Student Parliament meeting 2 in the spring, and the remaining 8 % are allocated at Student Parliament meeting 5 in the fall. The remaining 8% that are allocated in the fall are earmarked new fraternities and organizations and unforeseen activities.

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1.2 Basic support

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The basic support is funds that all organizations/ fraternities can apply for. In order to be defined as an organization, you have to be at least 10 members. Exempted are organizations that are older than 10 years, they only need to be 5 members. The organization must reference to their mission statement

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The criteria for receiving basic support is that the fraternity/organization must generate participation, culture and activities on and around campus.

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The basic support is calculated based on the number of members that are students at NMBU. The basic support is supposed to cover all the necessities needed for the association to keep activities open and including to all students on campus.

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Organizations/fraternities can apply for and receive basic support at the spring allocation or at the autumn allocation.

Member count	Basic support NOK	1437
5 - 39	1000	1438
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Start up fund

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Organizations and fraternities younger than 2 years old, can apply for startup support. This support amounts to a onetime payment of 2000 NOK payable once during the first 2 years, to make it easier for the new organizations to establish themselves. To be eligible for this support, a minimum of 10 members also needs to be students at NMBU.

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1.4 Activity funds

1446 Activity funds stimulates an active and including student life and are allocated to activities that are
1447 open for all students at NMBU, and that are inclusive and motivate students to show up. The activity
1448 funds are only for activities at/nearby Campus. However, the committee may exercise discretion and
1449 make exemptions. Only teams and fraternities at Campus can apply for activity funds.

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1451 Activities open for many/all students will be prioritized by the Welfare Funds committee. The
1452 committee aims to conserve traditions and diversity, as well as activities that creates a vibrant Campus
1453 and will support this.–Fraternities with “open organizations certification” shall be prioritized in the
1454 allocation, ref sub chp 1.5 Open Organization.

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1456 The applicants are divided into thematic groups in order to ensure equal treatment of applicants from
1457 fairly similar organizations and to simplify allocation routines. The allocation committee should strive
1458 for an even distribution between the thematic groups, in relation to the number of applicants in each
1459 thematic group, the thematic group's financial needs and the quality of the applications.

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1461 Academic organizations:

1462 The Academic organizations organizes students at Campus Ås' faculties or studyprograms. The
1463 Academic organizations promote the students' academic interests through company
1464 presentations and academic related evenings and create unity through social events.

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1466 Music, culture, location organizations and others

1467 **Music and culture** include choirs, bands, music groups, dance teams, theater groups, film
1468 clubs, photography clubs and exclusive associations.

1469 **Location** organizations are teams and associations and teams that promote a common
1470 belonging to a city, county or part of the country.

1471 **Others** are teams/associations that promote a common interest, and teams/associations
1472 that give students a sense of social belonging and identity on the basis of conditions that
1473 do not fall under other groups of teams/associations.

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1475 Politics, social engagement, religion and internationally oriented organizations

1476 Politics, community involvement and religion are political organizations, organizations
1477 that promote community involvement or specific community interests, and religious
1478 organizations

1479 Internationally oriented organizations focus their attention on the international
1480 community. The organizations spread knowledge to Campus Ås' students about
1481 international affairs, work for more contact between students at Campus Ås and the
1482 international community, or ensure the flow of knowledge between Campus Ås' students
1483 and students from other countries.

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1485 1.5 Open organization

1486 The «Open organization» certification strives to create open and motivated associations. The criteria
1487 to become an open organization are:

- 1488 - No admission requirements
- 1489 - Membership fees no higher than 100NOK per semester
- 1490 - Must have at least one event open to all students at NMBU during the semester
- 1491 - Events can be held in English if international students are attending

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1493 1.6 Funds for academic and political events

1494 Funds for academic and political events are Welfare Funds aimed for community meetings,
1495 academically and political events at Samfunnet, such as debates and presentations. It is required that
1496 the supported event is open to all Campus Ås students. The allocated amount is determined by the
1497 Student Parliament at the Student Parliament meeting no. 6 every year. The sum set aside should
1498 amount to 15% of the welfare funds.

1499 All fraternities/ organizations, including the Student Society/Samfunnet Board, may apply for funds
1500 for academic and political events until the funds are empty.

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1502 Applications for funds for academic and political events should be handed in to the Officer responsible
1503 for Welfare Funds at the Student Board, least three (3) weeks before the event. Following the academic
1504 or political meeting, the organizer of the event will submit a report to the one responsible for the
1505 welfare funds on the Student Board. This must be done no later than three (3) weeks after the meeting
1506 has ended.

1507 The Student Board processes applications for academic and political funds in meetings that are
1508 reported.

1509 Activities/measures cannot receive both activity funds and funds for academic and political events for
1510 the same event.

1511 If there are spare funds for academic and political events at the time of the following allocation of
1512 ordinary welfare funds, funds for academic and political events shall be transferred to the Student
1513 Welfare fund.

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1515 1.7 Not eligible for support

1516 The welfare funds do not support

- 1517 • Internal activities within the teams/fraternities. The exception is Academic organizations are
1518 exempt from this.
- 1519 • Events not held on or in the vicinity of campus are usually not supported.
- 1520 • Shows or activities supported by Studentsamfunnet I Ås /UKA
- 1521 • Travelling expenses
- 1522 • Teams/fraternities or activities who belongs to a mother organization who receives
1523 welfare funds
- 1524 • Teams/fraternities that are supported by the semester fee, such as NMBUI-teams.
- 1525 • Alcohol, nicotine, narcotics and other drugs.
- 1526 • Activities aimed to make money for the group/organization, such as cake sale.
- 1527 • Support to other organisations

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- Associations that fall under corporate law
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- Group/organization outfit.
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- Fraternities or organizations that exhibit discriminatory behaviour, see chapter 1.8, loose the
- 1531 right to receive welfare funds.
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1533 **1.8 Violation of the guidelines and complaints against the allocation**

1534 If the welfare funds are used against their purpose, sanctions can be triggered into effect. The mildest
1535 sanction would be a warning, while the strictest one would be exclusion from the next two allocations.
1536 The Student Board has the authority to give warning sanctions, and demand repayment of the allocated
1537 funds. If the situation is of a more serious manner, the case will be brought up to the Student Parliament
1538 and treated as a complaint.

1539 Teams/fraternities who do not return unused activity funds within the next welfare fund application
1540 deadline will not receive new funding until the unused funds are repaid

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1542 Teams and fraternities that express differential treatment or discrimination regarding gender, ethnicity,
1543 religion, spirituality, impairments, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression in their
1544 actions or statements, will not receive Welfare Funds. Exceptions from this is when the differential
1545 treatment has a sensible purpose, such as admission to gender divided fraternities/choirs or
1546 geographical fraternities, for example in the case of gendered or regional organizations.

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1548 If a breach of the guidelines for allocation of welfare funds is discovered, one can submit a complaint.
1549 All students at NMBU can submit a complaint to the Student Board.

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1551 **1.9. Processing of a complaint regarding the allocations**

1552 If the team/association disagrees with the allocation of welfare funds, they need to submit a complaint.
1553 The complaint is submitted to the Student Parliament at studenttinget@nmbu.no. This has to be done
1554 before the next Student Parliament meeting after the allocation.

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1556 **1.10. Processing of a complaint regarding a guideline breach**

1557 If the Student Board receive a complaint about a guideline breach, the Student Board must review the
1558 complaint in a minuted/recorded meeting. The association with the complaint against it must be
1559 informed and given an opportunity to explain the situation. The Student Board must then decide which
1560 sanction should be introduced. See subsection 1.6. Violation of the guidelines and complaints against
1561 the allocation.

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1563 If the Student Board considers the case to be of the most serious degree, it must be brought before the
1564 Student Parliament.

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1566 Individuals, teams or fraternities that have either formed or received a complaint will be allowed to express
1567 their side of the story either in writing or orally at Student Parliament.

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1569 When the case is up for treatment at the Student Parliament it will be presented in a neutral fashion by
1570 AU. Impartibility for the parliament representatives will be treated according to the impartibility clause
1571 in the Student Parliament's statutes.

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1573 The Student Parliament will decide whether the team's/fraternity's behavior is in violation of the rules.
1574 If the complaint is approved, in the Student Parliament, the decision will come into effect in that Student
1575 Parliament meeting.

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1577 1.11 Transferring funds

1578 Fraternities and organizations may apply to transfer funds from one activity to another. They have to
1579 apply to the welfare responsible in the Student Board, and the application must include a short reason
1580 for the transfer and how much money they wish to transfer. It must be stated clearly in the report that
1581 the transfer has been done.

1582 The funds must be used within the same calendar year. The ~~transfer~~ must be specified and justified in the
1583 Annual Report and be enclosed with next year's application.

1584 If the team/fraternity have Activity funds spare at the end of the year, they have to transfer the ~~money~~ to
1585 the students Welfare fund before the next application deadline. Teams/fraternities may apply to use
1586 the remaining welfare funds between the end of the year and the application deadline. This have to be
1587 approved by the Officer responsible for Welfare Funds. If the spare funds are not repaid within the
1588 deadline, the applicant will not receive any welfare funds, until the money has been paid.

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1591 2 The Students Welfare Fund

1592 Unused welfare funds, or funds that have been repaid, are placed in the Student's Welfare Fund. Any
1593 profits from the Student Parliament's operations can also be deposited here. The Fund is used for larger
1594 investments that over time will benefit everyone. The Student Parliament decide whether to spend from
1595 the Students' Welfare Fund, following a joint proposal from the president of the Student Board, the
1596 president of the SiÅs board and the president Student society/Samfunnet board.

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1599 3 Applications

1600 All teams and associations that apply for welfare funds must make use of the prescribed application
1601 form.

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1603 Teams/fraternities must attach a list of members with their student share to the application form.
1604 Teams/fraternities applying for activity funds must attach information about the activities for which
1605 funds are sought and a budget for all activities. **Applications without a budget will not receive funds.**

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1607 Teams/fraternities that received activity funds in the previous allocation must attach an annual report
1608 for the activities and accounts. New teams / associations that only received basic support at the previous
1609 award do not need to attach an annual report.

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1611 Teams/fraternities that submit an incomplete application will, if it is submitted before the deadline, get
1612 **one** second chance to improve the application, with the deadline set by the welfare officer.

1613 Questions about the application form or the guidelines can be sent to the Student Board's Welfare
1614 Officer at studenttinget@nmbu.no.

1615 **Incomplete applications will not be handled by the committee! Late applications will not be**
1616 **handled by the committee.**

4 Committee of allocation of the welfare funds

4.1 Mandate

The allocation committee of Welfare Funds evaluates all the applications received and give the Student Parliament a proposal of a fair allocation of the Welfare funds. The committee considers the content of the application against the purpose of the welfare funds. The committee evaluates the allocation process and suggests necessary changes in the rules and regulations for allocation of the Welfare funds and application form see paragraph 7, Revision.

4.2 Composition

The committee of allocating of welfare funds consists of:

- The officer responsible for the welfare funds at the Student board (chair).
- The officer who is the leader of the inclusion funds committee at the Student board. (if the is the same person as the one responsible for the welfare funds, another representative of the Student Board steps in)
- Finance manager of the Samfunnet Board.
- One student representative from the SiÅs board.
- One person who has previously been a part of the committee.
- Two representatives elected by the Student Parliament. The representatives are elected at the Student Parliament meeting 4 in the spring and will participate in the committee the following academic year.

4.3 Quorum

The committee has a quorum for allocation of Welfare funds when at least three of the representatives are present and voting. A member of the committee is not allowed to vote and not be present when the committee discuss teams/fraternities the person concerning is or has been a member of. Whether this applies to the officer responsible for the welfare funds at the Student Board, the person concerning presents the application and leaves the room. The officer responsible for welfare funds may only be retrieved for direct clarifying questions regarding the application.

4.4 Working method

The officer responsible for the Welfare Funds reads through all applications and set up a list of applications and a preliminary proposal of allocation. The allocation committee meets 1-2 times before Student Parliament meeting 2, and 1-2 times prior to Student Parliament meeting 5. The committee goes through all the applications and adjust the proposal given by the officer responsible for the welfare funds.

If there should arise a case where there is doubt about if an applicant is entitled to Welfare funds, it will be up to the committee for allocation of welfare funds to make an informed decision to whether they will receive an allocation or not, based on an conversation/ discussion with the contact person from the organization.

The officer responsible for the welfare funds presents the committees setting at the Student Parliament meeting. Prior to the student Parliament meeting, teams/associations can teams/fraternities have a meeting with the officer responsible for the welfare funds to discuss the assignment and any unclear part.

1660 Questions and comments should be addressed to the officer responsible for the welfare funds
1661 and not to any of the committee's members.

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1663 5 Allocations

1664 The Student Parliament approves the allocation of welfare funds. The Student Parliament may make
1665 changes to the allocation committees' proposal. The Welfare funds have the main allocation at
1666 Student Parliament meeting 2 in the spring and a smaller allocation on Student Parliament meeting
1667 5 in the autumn.

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1669 6 Deadlines

1670 6.1 Notification of the application form and regulations

1671 The allocation rules and regulations are available at
1672 <https://www.studentdemokratiet.no/welfarefunds>. throughout the whole year. The application form
1673 is made available on the beginning of January for the spring-allocation, and in the beginning of August
1674 for the autumn-allocation. The application form is available at least 1 month before the application
1675 deadline.

1676 The officer responsible for the welfare funds at the Student Board has the main responsibility of
1677 announcing the upcoming allocation of Welfare funds and application deadline in due time before the
1678 application deadline.

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1681 6.2 Application deadline

1682 The application deadline is set by the welfare officer. In spring, the application deadline is on the 10th
1683 of February, application deadline in the autumn is 10th of September. Should the set deadline fall on a
1684 holiday or weekend, the deadline will be the first upcoming weekday. Late applications will not be
1685 considered.

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1687 6.3 Deadline for treatment of applications

1688 The allocation of welfare funds is announced at [nmbu.no/studenttinget](https://www.studentdemokratiet.no/welfarefunds),
1689 <https://www.studentdemokratiet.no/welfarefunds> and in the minutes from the Student Parliament
1690 meeting at <https://www.studentdemokratiet.no/ressurser-dokumenter>. The final results of the
1691 allocation will be delivered to all applicants by mail no longer than two weeks after the approval, with
1692 attached allocation. All applicants who receive support have to familiarize themselves with what they
1693 received funding for. Welfare Funds are allocated no later than two weeks after the allocation is
1694 decided at SP2.

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1696 6.4 Deadline of complaints

1697 Complaints on the treatment of applications must be put forward to the Student Board no more than
1698 5 days after the letter of reply is received. All groups/organizations have the right to have their
1699 complaint thoroughly treated and to receive a written answer.

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1701 6.5 Processing complaints

1702 Complaints shall be processed by the Student Board. Written replies shall be sent from the president
1703 of the student Board to the person sent in the complaint within 5 working days. If the complaint is
1704 approved will the funds be paid at the next allocation of Welfare Funds.

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1706 **7 Revision**

1707 the rules and regulation of the allocation of Welfare funds shall be revised by the Student Parliament
1708 each even numbered year. Revision of the rules and regulation of Welfare funds are a matter for
1709 discussion at Student Parliament meeting 4 and a statutory matter at Student Parliament meeting 6.
1710 Revised version is valid when passed by the Student Parliament. Suggested percentage rates for
1711 allocation to the various categories are determined on Student Parliament 6 every even numbered
1712 years.

1713 The Student Board's responsible for the Welfare funds will, together with rest of the allocation
1714 committee, review the application form prior to each main allocation, and apply changes if need be.

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2417.8 Attachment 8 Suggested revision of the rules for inclusion funds

Proposed new Rules for Inclusion funds

Revised at Student Parliament x, xx.xx.xxxx

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Objectives:

The inclusion funds' main objective is to promote the inclusion of international students in the student environment at NMBU. The inclusion funds contribute to this by creating contact between Norwegian and International students, and to give International and Norwegian students an arena to share knowledge involving culture, language, and history.

Who can apply?:

Both individual students, groups and associations from NMBU can apply for funding, including Studentsamfunnet I Ås.

1. The application process:

1.1 Deadline:

The deadline for application is the 5th every month. Should the set deadline fall on a holiday or weekend, the deadline will be the first working day after the holiday or weekend. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be processed. Funds will be transferred within the 15th every month.

1.2 Application:

- An application has to be sent through Nettskjema. The International Officer is responsible for the application form.
- Decisions made by the committee are final and cannot be appealed.
- Applications will not be processed in July.
- The applicant must advertise the activities in both English AND Norwegian. Posters can be printed for free at the Student Board Office within reason.

- 1759 • Students applying for larger social/pro-active activities will be prioritized (i.e. groups larger than
1760 ten).
- 1761 • The committee of Inclusion Funds will take into account the number of applicants, and assess
1762 according to what activities that they believe will facilitate the most cultural exchange between
1763 Norwegians and Internationals.

1.3 Requirements for the applicant and the application:

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- 1765 • The funds must be used for **socio-cultural activities**.
- 1766 • The application and the report must be written in English.
- 1767 • For **organizations** applying: Use the banc account that belongs to the organization, not a private
1768 account.
- 1769 • The application must contain a budget with explanations for each post.
- 1770 • The applicant must seek to make as many students as possible benefit from the activities for
1771 which it is applying.
- 1772 • Activities on or close to campus have a higher priority in the distribution of funds. However,
1773 activities organized further away may still qualify for funding.
- 1774 • Closed or internal activities may be considered as long as the target is culture/language exchange.
- 1775 • Only upcoming events can be applied for. Exceptions can be made by the committee under special
1776 circumstances. Both upcoming and previous activities can be applied for. Applications for
1777 previous activities should be sent within one month of the activity.
- 1778 • Applicants who also receive Inclusion Funds, support from Studentsamfunnet i Ås or other funds
1779 for their activity may still be eligible for funding, however, the amount may be reduced.
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1.4 Not eligible for support:

- 1783 • Expenses for tobacco or alcohol
- 1784 • Expenses for activities which are only educational and/or political. These types of activities may
1785 be eligible for support through the Funds for Academic and Political Activities
- 1786 • Expenses for fieldwork or other thesis work
- 1787 • Transportation expenses however, transportation may be covered in special circumstances.
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2. Report:

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- 1791 • A report with all the receipts has to be submitted through Nettskjema no later than 1 month after
1792 the activity has taken place.
- 1793 • A report should include an explanation about
- 1794 ○ how the event went.
- 1795 ○ how many people came, internationals and Norwegians.
- 1796 ○ Accounting overview: how much money you got, how much was spent and on what were
1797 the expenses and surplus if you did have less expenses that budgeted for.
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3. Redistribution of money:

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1801 If you have other expenses than you originally planned for, or if you have to change the original event due
1802 to unforeseen circumstances, then you can apply for redistribution by sending an email to the
1803 International officer. This email should include:

- 1804 • Why you have the surplus.
- 1805 • From which activity are you redistributing money from.
- 1806 • What is the new activity or expense that you are planning.
- 1807 • If it is a new activity, when will it take place.

1809 4. Reimbursement of Funds:

- 1810 • All funds not spent must be reimbursed within 1 month of the event to account 1654.20.29092.
1811 Include organization name, mark it with “Project 112 inclusion funds [name of organization]”,
1812 and notify the International Officer about the transfer.
- 1813 • Applicants who fail to refund unused Inclusion funds within the deadline, will not receive new
1814 funds until the unused funds are reimbursed.

1816 5. Violation of guidelines:

1817 If the applicant fails to comply with the rules of this document or organization if funds are used for
1818 purposes not supported by inclusion funds, it may result in sanctions for the person, group or
1819 organization that is applying.

1821 The mildest form of sanction is a warning, while the strictest is exclusion from the allocations for the next
1822 year.

1823 The International Officer in the Student Board has the authority to issue warnings and demand refunds
1824 as sanctions. Application of warnings and sanctions must be notified to the Inclusion Funds committee.
1825 If the case is of higher severity, it will be referred to the Student Parliament and treated as a complaint
1826 case there.

1828 Applicants that fail to refund unused funds within 2 months after the planned activity, will not receive
1829 new funds until the unused funds are refunded. For more information on refunds, see subsection
1830 4.Reimbursments of Funds

1832 Groups and associations expressing discrimination based on gender, ethnicity, religion, belief, disability,
1833 sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression in their statements and/or actions will not be
1834 eligible to receive inclusion funds. Exceptions to this apply to special arrangements where discrimination
1835 serves a legitimate purpose, such as gender-specific associations or local associations.

1837 If violations of the inclusion funds guidelines are discovered, a complaint can be filed. All students at
1838 NMBU can file a complaint, which is submitted to the Student Board.

1840 6. The Inclusion Funds Committee:

- 1841 • One representative from the Student Board (leader of the committee)
- 1842 • One representative from the Samfunnet Board
- 1843 • One representative from ISU
- 1844 • One representative from ESN
- 1845 • If necessary, AU can supplement with an extra member to be capable of passing decisions

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1847 Committee members who themselves are board members of the organizations applying for funding or
1848 are actively involved in planning the event will not be allowed to participate or be present in the
1849 processing of the application. This includes the general discussions and outcome of the application.
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1851 There should be at least 3 committee members present in order to make decisions concerning
1852 applications.
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1855 **7. Introduction week:**

1856 Introduction week is referred to as the introductory, or welcome activities organized to welcome the new
1857 arriving international students.

1858 The Buddy General in cooperation with ESN and ISU are the main responsible for the planning and
1859 execution of the Introduction week in both August and January/February. The Inclusion Funds also
1860 provide financial support for the Introduction week during both periods. The activities planned for the
1861 incoming international student are exempt from the requirement of mandatory inclusion of Norwegian
1862 students.

1863 **Criteria:**

- 1864 - Activities cannot overlap with other events and days planned for the Buddy week. Such activities
1865 will not be supported by the Inclusions funds committee.
- 1866 - An application including all activities planned for the week has to be submitted prior to the start
1867 of the Introduction week.
 - 1868 ○ This application has to include a budget for the activities, but are exempted from the rule
1869 of applying to redistribution to events within the Introduction week.
- 1870 - A report must be submitted following the same criteria as the rest of the inclusion funds. This
1871 report must include how the money allocated was used.
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1873 **8. Revision of the Rules:**

1874 The regulations are revised by the Student Parliament every even-numbered year. Revision of
1875 regulations is a matter for discussion at ST-1 and a matter for decision at ST-2.
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2417.9 Attachment 9 Current rules for allocation of inclusion funds

Rules for Inclusion funds

Approved at Student Parliament 1, 08.02.2021

Objectives:

The main objective for the inclusion funds is to promote the inclusion of international students to the student environment at NMBU. The inclusion funds will contribute to this by creating contact between Norwegian and International students, and to give International and Norwegian students an arena to share knowledge involving culture, language and history. Students applying for larger social/pro-active activities or initiatives will be prioritized (i.e. groups larger than ten).

Entitled for support:

- The funds must be used for socio-cultural activities/initiatives.
- The applicant(s) must be (a) student(s) from NMBU. Both individual persons and groups/associations can apply for funding.
- Both upcoming and previous activities/initiatives can be applied for. Applications for previous activities/initiatives should be applied for within one month.
- Applicants also applying for Welfare Funds for their event may still be eligible for funding, however, the amount may be reduced.

Not entitled for support:

- Expenses for tobacco and alcohol
- Expenses for activities/initiatives which are only educational and/or political.
- Expenses for fieldwork.
- As a general rule costs for transportation will not be covered by Inclusion Funds, however, transportation may be covered in special circumstances.
- If the requirements for the application and/or the applicant are not fulfilled.

Requirements for the application and the applicant:

- The application and the report must be written in English.
- The application must contain a budget with explanations for each post.
- The applier must advertise the activities/initiatives in both English AND Norwegian. Posters can be printed for free at the Student Board Office within reason.
- A report with receipts must be sent to the International Officer during the first three weeks after the activity/initiative.
- The organization must seek to make as many students as possible benefit from the activities/initiatives to which it is applying for. Closed or internal activities/initiatives will normally not be taken into consideration.

The Inclusion Funds Committee:

- One representative from the Student Board (leader of the committee).
- One representative from the Samfunnet Board.
- One representative from ISU.
- One representative from SIT.
- One representative from ESN

1928 Committee members who themselves are board members of the organizations applying for funding or
1929 are actively involved in planning the event will not be allowed to participate or be present in the
1930 processing of the application. This includes the general discussions and outcome of the application.
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1932 There should be at least 3 committee members present in order to make decisions concerning
1933 applications.
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1935 **Other:**

- Decisions made by the committee are final and cannot be appealed.
 - The deadline for application is the 5th every month. Funds will be transferred within the 15th every month.
 - Applications will not be processed in July.
 - All funds not spent must be reimbursed within one month of the event to account 1654.20.29092. Include organization name, mark it as Inclusion Funds repayment and notify the International Officer about the transfer.
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Proposal no.	Type:	Paragraph	Section	Sentence
1	Change	§ 5-3 Other elections and appointments conducted in the Student Parliament	-	-
<p>Old text: 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 for one position, they can be elected by acclamation, unless at least one representative wishes to have a written voting process.</p> <p>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.</p>				
<p>New text: The Student Parliament elects student representatives to positions described in the document Framework for the Working Year of the Student Parliament. All elections are done by writing. In the case that only one candidate is running for one position, they can be elected by acclamation, unless at least one representative wishes to have a written voting process.</p> <p>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.</p>				
<p>Grounds: Move the responsibility of listing positions to a document lower in the hierarchy</p>				
<p>Proposal Enact</p>				

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Proposal no.	Type:	Paragraph	Section	Sentence
2	Change	§ 7-4 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by Electronic Ballot Voting	-	-
<p>Old text:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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)</p>				
<p>New text:</p> <p>The student parliament can decide that an officer elected by statutes §§ 5-2 a and b is mistrusted with a absolute qualified majority of votes. Those who have cases of mistrust approved against them must resign immediately from their position.</p> <p>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)</p>				
<p>Grounds:</p> <p>Casting a no-confidence motion against a person elected at the ballot box is a tedious process, which takes a long time to complete. This can create an unnecessarily high threshold for starting the process. Shifting power to Student Parliament will speed up the process, and lower the threshold for addressing this move.</p>				
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Chapter 1: Purpose and Scope

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§ 1-1 Purpose

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

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§ 1-2 Scope

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These statutes apply to all organs of the Student Democracy at NMBU and are constructed in accordance

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with national laws and regulations. Instructions taken up in chapter 8 cannot go against these statutes.

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Chapter 2: Structure of the Student Democracy at NMBU

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§ 2-1 At a Central Level

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The highest democratic organ in the Student Democracy at NMBU is the Student Parliament. The daily

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operations of the Student Parliament are carried out by the Student Parliament's Student Board.

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§ 2-2 At a Faculty Level

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At the Faculty level, the Student Democracy consists of Student Councils. Student Councils are

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constructed of the committees and positions that come from the model for Student Councils approved of

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at Student Parliament 6 on 14.11.2016.

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The Faculty general assembly is the highest student democracy organ at a faculty level. Between faculty

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general assemblies the student councils stand for the daily operations and representations of the faculty's

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student democracy.

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The Student Council at Campus Adamstuen is delegated the power of communication and

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representation over the Welfare Committee in Oslo and Akershus.

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Chapter 3: The Student Parliament**§ 3-1 Powers and Functions**

2052 The Student Parliament represents all students at NMBU, and decisions made in the Student Parliament
2053 are made on the behalf of all students. The Student Parliament has the responsibility to inform about
2054 decisions made. Closing of the meeting must follow the provisions in §3-6.

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§ 3-2 Composition

2057 The Faculties at NMBU are constituents of the Student Parliament. The Student Parliament consists of 25
2058 representatives. These representatives are distributed according to the democracy model approved of at
2059 Student Parliament 6 in 2016.

2060 The division method for the mandatory seat allocation follows this formula:

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$$2062 \frac{V}{2^{s+1}}$$

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2065 V= Number of students at the faculty

2066 S= Number of student representatives the faculty is allocated

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2068 Updated number of students can be found in the Database for Statistics on Higher Education (DBH) every
2069 fall. The average of the number of students for the spring semester and fall semester make up the basis
2070 for the following year's representative distribution in the Student Parliament.

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2072 This calculation basis is presented for orientation before the fall faculty general assemblies.

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§ 3-3 Election of representatives

2075 Student Parliament representatives and substitute Student Parliament representatives are elected for
2076 one (1) year at a time at open student general meetings in each faculty. The date for the general meetings
2077 is decided as a general rule in the date plan adopted by the Student Parliament. The Student Council head
2078 and deputy head are responsible for the implementation of the general assembly at their faculty.

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2080 The choice is made by written or digital voting. If there are not more candidates than the number of
2081 positions, the election can be carried out by acclamation. One must try to ensure representation from
2082 several genders and different fields of study.

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§ 3-5 Meetings and Summoning

2085 The Student Parliament must hold at least 3 meetings per semester. The Student Board is responsible for
2086 summoning the Student Parliament. Summoning and case papers should be made available to all students
2087 at least 7 days before the meeting. Electronic decisions are the exclusion of this statute cf. §3-10.

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2089 The provision that the summoning and case papers need to be made available for all students in the first
2090 paragraph entails that they need to be translated to English. If there is uncertainty about the translation,
2091 the Norwegian version will be the basis for understanding. Further specification is outlined in the
2092 instructions for the Student Parliament.

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2094 All students with a valid semester registration have the right to send in cases to the Student Parliament.
2095 This must be done at the latest 14 days before the meeting if the case is to be handled. This provision
2096 does not count for cases to be handled under "other." Further specification is outlined in the instructions
2097 for the Student Parliament. Extraordinary Student Parliaments is held if at least 3 members of the Student
2098 Board, at least 13 representatives from the Student Parliament, or at least 25 students desire it.
2099 Extraordinary Student Parliament is to be made known to the public at least 7 days before taking place,
2100 and should only handle the case(s) that were the reason for its summoning.

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- 2102 **§ 3-6 Representation at the**
- 2103 Representation at the Student Parliament
- 2104 The following people are required to attend Student Parliament, and are required to give a written
- 2105 notification before the meeting if they cannot attend:
- 2106 - The Student Parliament's Representatives
- 2107 - The Student Parliament's Student Board
- 2108 - The Student Parliament's organizational secretary
- 2109 - The Student Parliament's chairmen
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- 2111 At least one representative from the following organs must attend the meeting:
- 2112 - The Student Representative in the University Board
- 2113 - The Student Representative in the SiÅs board
- 2114 - The International Student Union (ISU)
- 2115 - The Control Committee
- 2116 All students at NMBU have the right to attend the Student Parliament.
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- 2118 **§ 3-7 Closing of a Meeting.**
- 2119 The Student Parliament's meetings are open. The Student Parliament can decide to close a meeting with
- 2120 a qualified majority from the representatives in attendance. Translators or other support functions can
- 2121 stay in the meeting if at least one of the student parliament representatives requires them to.
- 2122 With the closing of a meeting, separate minutes will be recorded that are withheld from public disclosure.
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- 2124 **§ 3-8 Decision Validity**
- 2125 The Student Parliament can make valid decisions when at least 50% of the representatives are in
- 2126 attendance.
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- 2128 **§ 3-9 Voting rights and Voting**
- 2129 The Student Parliament's representatives have a voting right. If a main representative notifies of an
- 2130 absence, their appointed substitute has a voting right when in attendance. Decisions in the Student
- 2131 Parliament are normally made with a 50% majority. Decisions are made with hand raising, unless one
- 2132 representative asks for a written voting. With a voting tie, the Student Parliament can take a new vote.
- 2133 With a continued tie after a second voting, the case can be handled according to the proposed
- 2134 resolution.
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- 2136 **§3-10 Speaking and Proposal Rights**
- 2137 Everybody has a right to speak at Student parliament meetings. All students at NMBU has the right to
- 2138 propose cases at Student parliament meetings.
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- 2140 **§ 3-11 Electronic Voting**
- 2141 Electronic voting can be used to make decisions about single cases. Electronic voting is carried out in the
- 2142 method described in the instructions for electronic voting. The deadline to vote electronically is within 7
- 2143 days.
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- 2145 Electronic voting cannot be used to vote on matters concerning the following:
- 2146 - Elections
- 2147 - Cases of mistrust
- 2148 - Changing to the Student Parliament's committee documents and instructions
- 2149 - Appointment of the student representatives to councils and committees
- 2150 - Other matters of considerable nature
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- 2152 Main Student Parliament Representatives have voting rights with electronic voting.
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2154 Electronic voting cannot take place if one or some student parliament representatives wish to handle the
2155 case at a normal student parliament before the deadline. The desire must be justified.

2156 § 3-12 Position Resignation

2157 The Student Parliament representatives automatically resign from their position in the Student
2158 Parliament when they are elected to the following organs:

- 2159 - The Student Parliament's Student Board
- 2160 - The University Board
- 2161 - The SiÅs Board
- 2162 - The Student Board of the Norwegian Student Organization
- 2163 - The Control Committee

2164 Student Parliament representatives also automatically resign their seats if they are no longer students at
2165 the university.

2166 If a Student Parliament representative changes faculty, that person can remain in office until
2167 supplementary elections can be held at the next general meeting. In that case, they will remain in office
2168 as a representative of their old faculty. Alternatively, they may resign their seat.

2169 With position resignation, the position holder's deputy representative automatically inherits the position
2170 as a main representative.

2171 §3-13 Temporary Position Resignation

2172 In the case of partiality, there will be a temporary place resignation. This means that the representative
2173 withdraws from their position in cases where it applies. In the case of temporary place resignation the
2174 deputy will take over cf. § 6-1

2175 Chapter 4: The Student Parliament's Student Board

2176 § 4-1 Powers and Functions

2177 The Student Board (AU) carries out the Student Parliament's daily operations and represents the Student
2178 Parliament between meetings. AU can make decisions in urgent cases, cases that are delegated due to
2179 earlier decisions in the Student Parliament, and appoint people to non-decision making committees. AU
2180 makes proposals in all cases handled by the Student Parliament, with the exception of Elections.

2181 § 4-2 Composition

2182 The Student Parliament's Student Board shall consist of the following members:

- 2183 - President
- 2184 - AU member
- 2185 - AU member

2186 The Student Board constitutes their areas of responsibility internally.

2187 Working time and election periods are regulated according to functions § 5-1.

2188 § 4-3 Decision Ability and Voting Ties

2189 The Student Board can make valid decisions when at least four members are in attendance. With a voting
2190 tie in the Student Board, the president has a double vote.

2191 § 4-4 Editorial authority

2192 Usually, The Student Board has editorial authority to correct typographical errors in all adopted
2193 documents, unless otherwise decided by the Student Parliament. The authorization only applies to minor

2204 linguistic changes. Changes in the content can only be made by a new decision in the Student Parliament.
2205 The date of changes must be listed at the top of the document, under information about when the
2206 document was adopted.
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2208 **Chapter 5: Elections and Appointments**

2209 **§ 5-1 Eligibility for the Student Democracy**

2210 The overarching rule is that all Students at NMBU with a valid semester registration can run for positions
2211 in the Student Democracy. This applies unless otherwise specified.
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2213 **§ 5-2 Electronic Ballot Elections**

2214 a) Election of the Student Parliament's Student Board

2215 The Student Parliament's Student Board are elected through Electronic Ballot Voting, where all students
2216 with a valid semester registration have the right to vote. The Electronic Ballot Election take place in April
2217 every year. They hold their position for 1 year, between 1.7. until 30.6. Candidates who apply must be
2218 able to master Norwegian as a working language.
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2220 b) Election to the University Board

2221 Two student representatives are elected, one of each legal gender, with a deputy. They are chosen
2222 through an Electronic Ballot vote, where all students with a valid semester registration have the right to
2223 vote. The election takes place every year in April/May and in November. They hold the position for one
2224 year, from 01.07 to 30.06 for the spring election, and 01.01-31.12 for the fall election.
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2226 c) Elections to the Faculty Board

2227 Two student representatives, one of each legal gender, are elected with personal substitute to the seven
2228 Faculty Boards (FS). These are elected by electronic urn election, where all semester-registered students
2229 at the relevant faculty have the right to vote. A student only has the right to vote in one faculty board
2230 election. The Electronic Ballot election takes place every year in April / May and November. The position
2231 time for the elected is 1 year and lasts from 01.07. to 30.06 for the spring election, and 01.01-31.12 for
2232 the autumn election. Candidates of a gender other than the representative who already sits on the board
2233 are eligible to stand for election at a given semester.
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2235 **§ 5-3 Other elections and appointments conducted in the Student Parliament**

2236 The Student Parliament elects student representatives to central positions and committees at NMBU, to
2237 individual committees and to the board for student welfare organization. All elections are done by
2238 writing. In the case that only one candidate is running for one position, they can be elected by acclamation,
2239 unless at least one representative wishes to have a written voting process.
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2241 With a tie in voting between two candidates, a new voting round will be held. With a continued tie after
2242 a new voting round, the decision will be made according to the proposed resolution. If there is no
2243 suggestion made the decision will be made by drawing lots. Those chosen in this paragraph have minute
2244 requirements to the Student Parliament.
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2246 **§ 5-4 Resignation of position and Supplementary Elections**

2247 Normally, a supplementary election will be held in the case of place resignation from positions elected by
2248 the Student Parliament. Supplementary elections follow the same election rules as normal elections. This
2249 can be adjusted in cases of urgent votes, a short time left of the time period of the position, or other
2250 reasons in which it is appropriate.

2251 In the event of a resignation from a position elected at a general meeting, the substitute member will
2252 move to the permanent position. Alternatively, the Student Council can appoint a temporary
2253 representative who sits until the next general meeting. This also applies if positions are empty because
2254 they were not filled at the general meeting, as long as the general meeting has not decided otherwise.
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§ 5-5 Resignation of position in the Student Board

If a leader or member of the Student Board resigns during the term of office, the Student Parliament appoints a temporary member. The election is made according to the same election rules that apply to ordinary elections in the Student Parliament.

In the event of resignation before the autumn ballot election, the temporary member sits until a new member is elected in the ballot election. In the event of resignation after the autumn ballot box election, the temporary member sits for the remainder of the period and until a new Student Board takes office.

If the leader resigns, the leader's deputy will become acting leader until a new leader is elected by ballot.

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.

2308 Cases of mistrust cannot be taken against student representatives in the University Board, as it goes
2309 against *Lov om universiteter og høyskoler* § 9-8. (The laws for Universities and Higher schools)

2312 **Chapter 8: Documents**

2313 **§ 8-1 Documents approved by Student Parliament**

2314 The following documents are to be approved by the Student Parliament:

- 2315 • Statutes with accompanying instructions
- 2316 • Program of Principles
- 2317 • Political documents
- 2318 • Decrees/Resolutions
- 2319 • Economic regulations
- 2320 • Plan of Action
- 2321 • Budget
- 2322 • Schedule
- 2323 • Working instructions for the Control Committee
- 2324 • Instructions for Student Councils
- 2325 • Working Instructions for the Student Board.
- 2326 • Rules of Procedure and Agenda.
- 2327 • Instructions for Elections of the Student Board and other elections.
- 2328 • Positional instructions for the Buddy General
- 2329 • Regulations for the allocation of welfare funds
- 2330 • Rules for inclusion funds

2332 **§ 8-1-1 Statutes**

2333 The statutes outrank all other management documents.

2335 **§ 8-1-2 Program of Principles**

2336 The Program of Principles determines the organization's ground principles and executive political
2337 priorities. The Program of Principles outranks the rest of the Student Parliament's politics.

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2339 The Program of Principles shall be treated every 5th year. The Student Parliament can choose to treat the
2340 Program of Principles at any time. The Program of Principles shall be treated in two student parliament
2341 meetings: with a discussion case in the first meeting and a decision case in the second meeting.

2343 **§ 8-1-3 Political platforms**

2344 Political platforms determine what the Student Parliament thinks of a certain topic. These shall not go
2345 against the Program of Principles, but outside of this, political platforms outrank the rest of the Student
2346 Parliament's politics. A document is valid for 5 years. Political platforms shall be processed in two student
2347 parliament meetings: with a discussion case in the first meeting, and a decision case in the second
2348 meeting.

2350 **§8-1-4 Resolutions**

2351 Resolutions stipulates what the Student Parliament believes in a particular case. Resolutions can be
2352 processed directly. If one resolution is especially current, a decision can be made even if the resolution is
2353 sent in after the case paper deadline. In that case, The Student Parliament have to decide during the
2354 constitution with a qualified majority (2/3 of the votes) if they want to make a decision in the case.

2356 **§ 8-3 Other Instructions**

2357 The Student Parliament can approve of other instructions as needed.

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2360 **Chapter 9: Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU**

2361 **§ 9-1 Dissolution**

2362 Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU must be approved of with a qualified majority amongst
2363 present representatives for two consecutive student parliaments. The decision goes into effect after the
2364 second meeting is adjourned. Proposals for dissolution must be made at least 4 weeks before it is handled
2365 for the first time, and the first student parliament meeting that handles the case is to be an open meeting
2366 where all students at NMBU are called in.

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2368 **§ 9-2 Merging with Other Student Democracies**

2369 Merging of the Student Democracy at NMBU with other student democracies must be approved of with a
2370 qualified majority amongst representatives in attendance for two consecutive meetings. Proposals for
2371 merging must specify the point in time at which the merge will take place.

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2373 **Chapter 10: Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

2374 **§ 10-1 Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

2375 The Student Democracy at NMBU is a member of the Norwegian student organization (NSO). Withdrawal
2376 must follow the protocol of NSOs statutes.

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2379 **Chapter 11: Amendments to the Statues**

2380 **§ 11-1 Submitting of Amendment Proposals**

2381 Proposals for amendments of these statutes should be taken to the Student Parliament's Student Board
2382 at least 14 days before the meeting in which they will be addressed, and needs to be made public to all
2383 students at least 7 days before the meeting.

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2385 **§ 11-2 Decisions and Effectiveness**

2386 With a qualified majority vote amongst representatives in attendance, the Student Parliament can decide
2387 that changes go into effect immediately after they are adopted

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2389 With a qualified majority, the Student Parliament can bring changed into effect. The Student Parliament's
2390 Student Board has the power to make editorial changes in these Statutes. Such changes must be presented
2391 for orientation during the first meeting after they are made.

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2394 **Chapter 12: Definitions**

2395 **§ 12-1 Majority Voting**

2396 Simple Majority: This means that a proposal receives the most votes

2397 50% majority: This means that a proposal receives more than 1/2 of the votes from participating voters

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2399 Qualified Majority: This means that a proposal receives 2/3 or more of the votes from the participating
2400 voters

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2402 Absolute Majority: A proposal receives more than 1/2 of the total number of votes

2403 Absolute Qualified Majority: A proposal receives 2/3 or more of the total number of votes

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