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Jargon Guide and Interpretation

Unless expressly stated otherwise in these Standing Orders, the words used herein have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the NUS Articles of Governance and the NUS Liberation Campaign Rules.

Mission and Aims

Conference	A democratic meeting of the Campaign
Caucus	A meeting of the Conference for a specified section of Members and when not meeting a distinct political or social group recognised by the Standing Orders/Policy or the Steering
Constituent Member (CM)	An Affiliated Union of the National Union of Students
Two-thirds majority	Twice as many votes in favour as against, ignoring abstentions
Chair	The Chair, for the time being, of the Conference – The person responsible for facilitating and managing the proceedings of the Trans Conference.
Open Place Members	All Members of the Campaign, regardless of gender, gender expression or identity
Women Members	The Members of the Campaign who self-define as women, including (if they wish) those with complex gender identities which include 'woman'
Black Members	The Members of the Campaign who self-define as Black.
Bi Members	The Members of the Campaign who experience attraction (sexual or romantic) to more than one gender. This includes (but is not limited to) students who identify as bisexual, pansexual, polysexual, omnisexual, queer (and attracted to more than one gender), biromantic, panromantic, polyromantic, and omniromantic.
Non-binary members	The Members of the Campaign who self-define any part of their gender identity under the non-binary umbrella, and those questioning whether part and/or all of their gender identity falls under the non-binary umbrella
Policy	Once the Conference has resolved a question put to it (in the form of an ordinary, emergency, procedural or report motion or other instrument as identified by the Steering Committee or the Chair), the decision of the Conference shall be the Policy of the Campaign.

1. The NUS Trans Campaign is the national student movement for the liberation of Trans people. We fight for the rights of Trans students, support Trans students in universities and colleges, and provide a national voice on Trans issues, both within NUS and wider society.

Equality of Opportunity

2. The aims of the Campaign shall be pursued without regard to race, sex, sexual orientation, sexual identity, romantic orientation, gender identity, disability, ethnic origin, religion, age or creed, independent of any party-political organisation or religious body; but positive action in favour of any disadvantaged section of society shall be permissible

Membership

3. Individual members of the national union who self-define under the Trans umbrella (including but not limited to the following identities: agender, androgyne, gender-fluid, genderqueer, transgender, transsexual, transvestite, neutrois, non-binary) and those who are questioning their gender identity shall be considered the members of the Campaign.

No Platform Policy

4. In pursuance of the aims of the Campaign, any individuals or members of organisations or groups known to hold racist or fascist views will not be allowed to stand for election to any Trans Campaign position, or attend, speak or otherwise participate in Trans Campaign conferences, meetings or any other Trans events, and Trans

committee members will not share a public platform with an individual or member of an organisation or group known to hold racist or fascist views.

5. From time to time by ordinary resolution of Conference policy a person or organisation or group can be subject to the "No Platform" policy. In this context no individual or member of any organisation or group identified by the steering committee as being subject to "No Platform" shall be able to stand for election to any Campaign office, or attend, speak at or otherwise participate in the Conference. A list of the individuals and organisations or groups subject to "No Platform" shall be kept on record by the Trans Officers or nominee of the National President, as appropriate.
6. Any Constituent Member (CM) or member of the Conference may complain to the Steering Committee about the entitlement of a person to be present at the Conference on the basis that they are currently subject to "No Platform". Such a complaint may be made at any time before or during the Conference. In this event the Steering Committee shall be empowered at its absolute discretion to investigate the complaint and then withhold or withdraw credentials to attend the Conference from any person who, in its view, is currently subject to "No Platform"
7. The Steering Committee shall develop regulations for the operation of these procedures to be approved as part of its report to Conference
8. Any student identified in this section as not being eligible to stand for election at the conference shall be removed from the relevant and any subsequent stages of the election process by the Chief Returning Officer, or appointed agent.

Timing


9. There shall be at least one Trans Conference in each academic year. Not more than fourteen (14) months shall lapse between Trans Conference meetings.
10. Annual Conference shall be organised on dates recommended by the Trans Committee, who shall propose three (3) sets of dates in order of preference.

Notice

11. Notice shall be sent out to all Constituent Members at least three months' in advance of the Conference including motions and amendments deadlines.

Members of Trans Conference

12. Only self-defining Trans students may attend and/or participate in Trans Conference, including in the submission of motions. This also applies to members of steering committee, who are present to facilitate the democratic procedures.
13. Each CM may send up to five (5) delegates, consisting of one Open Place, one place for people experiencing transmisogyny, one person of colour place, a disabled place, and one non-binary place. All of these delegates must self-define as Trans. A delegation of four or more must have at least two people who experience transmisogyny.
14. In exceptional circumstances, the delegation entitlement may be adapted by steering to ensure the maximum number of people from under-represented groups can be delegated to conference. Where possible, delegates shall be selected by each CM by an election at which only self-defining trans students may vote. Exceptions should be made for FE and Small and Specialist SU's where this is not possible.
15. SU's may choose to assume that a trans student elected to attend NUS LGBT+ Conference is correspondingly elected to attend Trans conference (and vice versa) and subject to their delegate entitlement at those Conference that year if it would be impossible due to time, financial or other constrictions to hold two separate ballots.
16. Members with full voting and speaking rights:
 - a. Members of the Trans Committee
 - b. Delegates appointed by Constituent Members
17. Members of the Conference with speaking rights (who shall be Members of the Campaign):
 - a. Members of the National Executive Council
 - b. Women's Committee members
 - c. Black Students' Committee members
 - d. Anti-Racism & Anti-Fascism Committee members

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- e. Disabled Students' Committee members
 - f. LGBT+ Students' Committee Members
 - g. Observers appointed by Constituent Members and Area Organisations
18. Members with limited speaking rights (who shall be Members of the Campaign):
- a. Members of the Steering Committee, who may speak on matters related to the procedures and rules of the Conference, Conference administration, proposed amendments to the Standing Orders and any other matter placed up them by the Standing Orders or Policy resolution of Conference, or by duties delegated to them.
 - b. Candidates for election to the posts of Trans Officer, Committee members or Steering Committee member.
 - c. Members of the Board of Trustees or the Democratic Procedures Committee, who may speak on matters relating to their work.


Registration Fees

19. The registration fee shall be set so that it is at a lower level for delegates from Constituent Members in the Further Education Sector than for delegates from Constituent Members in the Higher Education Sector. In exceptional circumstances, the Steering Committee may waive the registration fee.

The Agenda

20. The Trans Committee shall propose an agenda for the Conference and the Steering Committee shall propose an order paper.
21. The Agenda for the Annual Conference must include:
- a. Opening Remarks
 - b. Elections for Trans Committee, the Trans Officers and Steering Committee
 - c. Reports submitted by Trans Committee and the Trans Officers
 - d. Time to discuss ordinary and emergency motions
 - e. Anti-transmisogyny caucus
 - f. Bi Students' Caucus
 - g. Black Students' Caucus
 - h. Further Education Caucus
 - i. Disabled Students' Caucus
 - j. Ace Students' Caucus
 - k. Poly Students' Caucus
 - l. Non-Binary Students' Caucus
 - m. Students with Caring Responsibilities Caucus
 - n. International Students and Migrants Caucus
 - o. LGBT+ Students Caucus
22. In addition, the Agenda for the Trans Conference may include:
- a. Guest speakers
 - b. Workshop discussions
 - c. Debates
 - d. Additional caucuses requested by members of Conference or required by Policy.
 - e. Training Sessions
 - f. Any other business that the Trans Committee may consider appropriate
23. The Agenda for the Annual Conference must include a scheduled access break of at least 10 minutes for every 90 minutes of full sessions of the Conference. 'Compound' access breaks, eg a break of 20 minutes following a 3-hour session, will not satisfy this requirement. These must be adhered to at all times
24. The Trans Conference will not be limited to one day.

Caucuses

25. Anti Transmisogyny caucus may only be attended by those in the Campaign who experience transmisogyny, and the current Anti-Transmisogyny reps. For the avoidance of doubt, transmisogyny is a specific oppression
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faced by people who are either trans women or non-binary people whose gender includes woman or is woman-aligned who were not assigned female at birth

26. Bi Caucus may only be attended by those in the campaign who experience attraction (sexual or romantic) to more than one gender. This includes (but is not limited to) students who identify as bisexual, pansexual, polysexual, omnisexual, queer (and attracted to more than one gender), biromantic, panromantic, polyromantic, and omniromantic. Bi Caucus may also be attended by the existing Bi Rep.
27. Black Students' Caucus may only be attended by those in the Campaign who self-define as Black and/or the existing Black Students' Representatives.
28. Further Education Caucus may only be attended by those in the Campaign who are in Further Education or who have been in Further Education in the same academic year and / or have been FE representatives.
29. Disabled Students' Caucus may only be attended by those in the Campaign who self-define as disabled and/or the existing Disabled Students' Representative.
30. Students with Caring Responsibilities Caucus may only be attended by those in the Campaign who have caring responsibilities. The Students with Caring Responsibilities Caucus may also be attended by the existing Students with Caring Responsibilities Rep.
31. Ace students' Caucus may only be attended by those in the campaign who experience limited or no attraction (sexual or romantic). This includes (but is not limited to) students who identify as asexual, demisexual, gray-asexual, aromantic, demiromantic, and gray-aromantic.
32. Non-Binary Students Caucus may only be attended by those in the campaign who self-identify as non-binary, or the current Non-Binary Students representative on the NUS Trans Campaign Committee.
33. Poly Students Caucus may only be attended by those in the campaign who self-identify as polyamorous.
34. International Students and Migrants Caucus may only be attended by those in the campaign who are an international student, a migrant, or the current International Students and Migrants Representative on the NUS Trans Campaign Committee.
35. LGB+ Students Caucus may only be attended by those in the campaign who self-identify as being LGB+, or the current LGB+ Students representative on the NUS Trans Campaign Committee.
36. Steering are permitted to update the Standing Orders as necessary, and using the same pattern as above, if any other caucuses are required by Conference.

Facilities


37. The Trans Officer shall ensure that appropriate facilities shall be made available at Conference, including the ability to run fringe meetings.

Ordinary Motions

38. Trans Conference shall have the power to vote motions submitted to it into policy. Only self-defining trans members may submit motions or amendments to Trans Conference.
39. A guide to the motions process shall be produced and maintained by the Steering Committee to enable easy understanding of the following.
40. Motions and amendments may be submitted in paper form or via email. They should include the student numbers of the individuals submitting, but these shall not be circulated.

Submission of motions

41. The deadline for the submission of motions shall be no less than six (6) weeks before the Conference, with the deadline falling on the nearest Friday at 1 p.m. Only self-defining trans members may submit motions or amendments to Trans Conference. A Constituent Member or individual may submit no more than one (1) motion per zone. The zones are;
 - a. Education
 - b. Society & Citizenship
 - c. Strong and Active Unions
 - d. Welfare & Student Rights
42. Ordinary motions containing more than five hundred (500) words shall be ruled out of order by the Steering Committee, unless the motion is an amendment to these Standing Orders.

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43. At least four (4) weeks in advance of the Conference, the Steering Committee shall send to all registered delegates a motions document that shall include all motions not ruled out of order and with original headings, allowing members of the Campaign to amend each motion if they choose.
 44. In order to protect the identity of proposers of motions (and amendments), the Steering Committee shall compile two identical documents, one for publication to the membership with the proposers kept anonymous, the other for circulation internally at Committee meetings, the Conference and drafting commission meetings

Amendments

45. Any Constituent Member or individual may submit no more than four (4) amendments, with not more than one (1) amendment per Zone. Amendments may also be submitted to any other motions circulated, including Steering Committee motions. The deadline for the submission of amendments shall be at least three (3) weeks before Conference, with the deadline falling at 1 p.m. on the closest Friday.
46. The rules for the submission of amendments shall be the same as those for motions, except that amendments of more than three hundred (300) words shall be ruled out of order unless they are amendments to the Standing Orders.

Compositing / Drafting Commissions

47. At the amendments deadline, compositing of motions and amendments will take place. All those who have submitted motions or amendments may attend or proxy their vote to another member of the Campaign, otherwise their motions shall be deemed to be deleted. The chair of the drafting commission for each motion/zone shall be a member of Steering Committee.
48. The composited motions document shall be sent to all constituent members in advance of the Conference.
49. Responsibility for deciding any matter not agreed by those attending the composite shall rest with the Steering Committee, after an opportunity for the members of the composite to give their opinions.
50. Steering Committee's decision shall be final in all matters concerning the composite.


Order and inter-relationship of motions and amendments

51. The Steering Committee shall determine the order and inter-relationships of motions and amendments. Before the start of debate on a motion, the Steering Committee shall propose to the Conference the adoption of the order and inter-relationships that it recommends.
52. There shall be an opportunity for a speech against. A simple majority of Conference shall be required to approve the order and inter-relationships.

Priority Ballot

53. Prior to Conference, or at Conference, the Steering Committee shall circulate a form on which voting members of Conference may indicate the order in which they wish the Zones and/or motions to be taken for discussion. Notification of which it will be will be given in the Notice of Conference.
54. The Steering Committee shall count all the forms returned to it at by the specified date and time using the single transferable vote system for a single-member seat.
55. The Zone/motion 'elected' shall be the first motion to be discussed. The next Zone/motion to be discussed shall be determined by another single-member seat by single transferable vote with first preference cast for the already elected Zone/motion being transferred on the first stage to the next available preference. Successive single-member seats shall determine the order of the priority of the remaining Zones/motions.

Emergency Motions

56. Emergency motions, of not more than five hundred (500) words may be submitted by any member of Conference or Constituent Member in writing to the Steering Committee no later than 10 a.m. on the second day of Conference.
 57. An emergency motion is one whose substance concerns events occurring after the latest date for the submission of ordinary motions for discussion by the forthcoming meeting of Conference and for which it is essential to pass if the Campaign is to function smoothly.
 58. The Steering Committee shall rule in the first instance on whether any proposed emergency motion meets the criteria for an emergency motion. Such rulings shall be subject to challenge by a two-thirds majority of Conference.
 59. The Steering Committee shall determine a fair manner for emergency motions to be debated; the general form shall be reported to the Conference, which shall approve the procedure by a simple majority vote.
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The Chair

60. The Chair of all meetings of the Conference shall be taken by the Trans Officer, a member of the Trans Committee, or another person appointed by the steering committee who self-defines as Trans.
61. A member of the Steering Committee shall take the chair during the consideration of reports. The Chair shall not exercise their vote except in the instance of a casting vote.
62. The Chair shall ensure that the meeting is in order, that remarks are relevant to the question under debate, that speakers are not intimidated by members of the Conference and that no defamatory remarks are made by one member of Conference concerning another.


Points of order

63. A Point of Order may be raised to ask for a Chair's ruling or interpretation or to address any other question relating to the procedure of the meeting, to the Chair. Points of order have precedence over all other business, but they may not be raised during a speech or a vote, unless relating to the conduct of that vote.
64. Points of order shall have priority in the following order:
 - a. a request for a ruling or interpretation
 - b. a request for a re-vote
 - c. any other point of order

Procedural Motions

65. Procedural motions have precedence over all other business except point of order and may not be raised during a speech or the course of a vote, unless relating to the conduct of that vote.
66. There shall be the following procedural motions, which are listed in order of priority:
 - a. That the meeting has no confidence in the Chair
 - b. That the Chair's ruling be overturned
 - c. That a specified Standing Order be suspended for a specified reason for a specified length of time.
 - d. That a vote be by secret ballot
 - e. That a meeting be adjourned or closed
 - f. That a specified category of person be excluded from Conference
 - g. That the question, as specified, be now put
 - h. That the question, as specified, be not put
 - i. To challenge the guillotine
 - j. To challenge the order paper
 - k. That the question, as specified, be adjourned to later in the same meeting or to a later meeting
 - l. That the question, as specified, be remitted to another body or person
 - m. That the question, as specified, be taken in parts (§)
 - n. That the question, or part of the question (including amendment), or another question, be referred to a specified Caucus
67. All procedural motions shall require the support of 10% of delegates before being discussed. All procedural motions shall be voted on after at least one speech in favour and one against, with the exception of the § procedural motion.
68. The Chair shall be entitled to make the final speech in any motion of no confidence in the Chair or any challenge to the Chair's ruling.
69. A procedural motion to suspend a Standing Order shall require a two-thirds majority. All other procedural motions shall require a simple majority.

The Parts Procedure

70. Parts – the § procedural motion – shall be moved, provided there are 10% of delegates wishing to hear the case for the Parts immediately before the Summation speech on a motion or amendment only.
 71. Where the § procedural motion gains the support of 10% of delegates, there shall be a speech to delete the Parts and a speech to approve or keep the parts. The vote will decide whether these Parts are deleted or are passed into Policy (or in the case of taking Parts in an amendment, are passed into the motion they amend).
 72. After consideration of all such sets of Parts, the remaining text of the amendment or motion shall be voted upon.
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Referring to a Specified Caucus Procedure

73. The specified Caucus must be one which has been set down in the Standing Orders.
74. The procedural motion shall only be allowed if there is a scheduled meeting of the Caucus in question, else the question shall not be referred.
75. The question can be referred at any point during the full Conference up until the summation speech is started on the motion.
76. The result of the decision of the Caucus shall be communicated to the full Conference by the Steering Committee in the final session of the full Conference. The Conference shall vote to ratify this decision and shall require a simple majority for ratification.
77. If a question referred to a Caucus impacts or inter-relates on other decisions, all affected text shall be referred. This shall be determined by the Steering Committee. (i.e. the motion and all its amendments. The Steering Committee may determine that the text can be split, however, this must be communicated to the Conference prior to the decision on whether to refer the question or not).
78. The full rules of debate shall be in force within the Caucus meeting, except that no procedural motion may be put to refer the question to another body, including back to the full Conference.
79. Speakers at Conference shall be required to give their name, and Constituent Member or Committee position, prior to their speech.

General Procedure and Quorum

80. Only one ordinary motion or amendment to it, or report motion, may be debated at any one time.
81. Quorum for all full sessions of the Conference shall be 20% of registered delegates. There shall be no quorum in caucuses or when the Conference is not in full session.

Policy Lapse


82. At the beginning of each meeting of the Annual Conference the Trans Committee shall table those Policies that have been in existence for five (5) years and were last ratified under this Standing Order five years earlier. These shall be notified in advance and shall be prominently displayed within the meeting room.
83. Unless an objection is raised these policies shall lapse at the end of the last session of the Annual Conference. Objections to the lapse of any such policy shall be delivered to the Steering Committee by the start of the penultimate session of the morning.
84. During the last session of the Annual Conference, the Chair shall invite a speech moving each objection and a speech against. The debate shall be confined to whether or not the Policy should lapse. The Chair shall then move to a vote where a simple majority shall retain the Policy.


Accessibility at Conference

85. Any Member of Conference present may request, for access reasons, that no audible applause occurs throughout Conference. In this situation, it shall be requested by the steering committee that delegates do not audibly applaud for the remainder of Conference, and BSL (British Sign Language) applause shall be requested and encouraged instead.
86. Any Member of Conference present may request, for access requirements, that the noise level of Conference be reduced. In this situation, a member of Steering Committee may give a statement to Conference regarding this request. Conference shall not be allowed to continue until the Steering Committee deem the noise level to have reached an acceptable and accessible level. This shall, however, not result in the dampening of PA systems unless they are exceptionally and unnecessarily loud
87. Any individuals who are deemed to be deliberately making noise to prevent Conference from continuing, may, at the discretion of the Steering Committee, be required to leave conference, either temporarily or permanently
88. A clear path shall, at all times, be available for any Member of Conference present to leave the room. All Members of Conference present may leave and return to any session of Conference or any Caucus, at any time, and this shall be made clear to all Members present at the start of Conference

The Trans Committee

Membership

89. The Trans Committee shall be elected at the Annual Conference and shall consist of the following voting members:
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- a. The Officer of the Campaign with voting rights, elected at Conference
 - b. One (1) Trans Students' representative on the NEC with voting rights, elected at Conference. If the Trans Officer does not experience transmisogyny then the holder of this position must.
 - c. One (1) Open Place Representative, elected by and from the full Conference
 - d. One (1) Anti-transmisogyny Students Representative, elected by and from the anti-transmisogyny Caucus
 - e. One (1) Non-binary Students Representative elected at the Non-binary Caucus
 - f. One (1) Disabled Students Representative elected at the Disabled Students' Caucus
 - g. One (1) Trans and/or non-binary people of colour Students Representative (Open)
 - h. One (1) Trans and/or non-binary people of colour place (anti-transmisogyny)
 - i. One (1) LGB+ Students Representative
 - j. One (1) International Students' and Migrants Representative
90. Elections of Committee posts which have more than one (1) vacancy shall be elected by the Single Transferable Vote System (STV)
91. All other elections shall be conducted via the Alternative Vote System (AV).

Job-shares

92. Positions on the Trans Committee shall not be open to a job-share unless there are exceptional circumstances. In the case of exceptional circumstances:
93. The Steering Committee has the authority to decide whether a request for a job share has genuine reasons behind it.
94. All such decisions are to be made on an individual basis taking into account guidelines that are to be reviewed annually by the Trans Committee.
95. The guidelines are to be used for guidance only and are not prescriptive.

Ex-Officio Members of the National Committee

96. The following shall be ex-officio members of the National Committee, and have full voting and speaking rights:
- a. The NUS Scotland Trans Students' Officer, elected at NUS Scotland Trans Students' Conference
 - b. Subject to this position being instituted, the NUS Wales Trans Students' Officer
 - c. Subject to this position being instituted, the NUS-USI Trans Students' Officer
97. In the event of the positions in 91 C and D not being instituted, the following shall be invited as non-voting Observers of the Trans Committee
- a. Trans Students' Representative on NUS Wales LGB+ Committee
 - a. Trans Students' Representative on NUS-USI LGB+ Committee

The Trans Officer

98. The Annual Conference shall elect a Member of the campaign to the role of Trans officer. The Trans officer shall convene the Trans campaign and represent the campaign on the National Executive Council

Term of office

99. No individual shall serve more than two (2) terms of office as an elected, non-ex-officio member of the National Committee (in the same post) or two (2) terms as a Convenor.

Accountability

100. Members of the National Committee and the Trans Officer shall submit a written report & plan to each meeting of Conference.
101. Reports shall be circulated to all registered delegates with the final motions document.
102. During the discussion of reports, a member of Steering Committee shall take the Chair.
103. The deadline for reports shall be the same as for ordinary motions. No reports can be accepted on the floor of Conference unless they have been submitted in this manner.
104. Any member of the Conference present may move any of the following report motions:
- a. A censure of the whole Committee, for a specified reason
 - b. A censure of the Trans Officer or National Committee member, for a specified reason



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- c. The reference back of a specified section of a specified report

Motions of No Confidence

105. Motions of No Confidence in the National Committee or Trans Officer may be submitted as ordinary motions or amendments, except that such motions shall be tabled at the relevant report session.
106. Votes of No Confidence in the National Committee or Trans Officer shall only be of effect when passed by that Caucus of Conference that elected that individual.

Vacancies

107. If any member of the National Committee resigns, or if a motion of No Confidence is passed in any member of the National Committee, then their position shall be declared vacant. If the vacancy occurs during the Conference, then it shall be filled at that Conference if possible. If the vacancy occurs at any other time, it shall be filled at the next Conference.
108. The National Committee may co-opt a person to fill a vacancy until such time as it is filled by election at a Conference. Any person co-opted in this manner shall not have a vote on the National Committee.


Regional Representation


109. Members of the National Committee and the Trans Officer shall be accountable to Regional Meetings of Conference for the discharging of their regional responsibilities, should they have them
110. Delegates at Conference or constituent members may submit a motion to remove the regional responsibilities of a specified member of the National Committee or Trans Officer, provided that their Constituent Member/Area Organisation falls within the region for which the specified Trans Committee member or Trans Officer has responsibility.
111. Such motions may be submitted to the Steering Committee no later than 10 a.m. on the second day of Conference. Steering Committee shall inform the relevant member of the National Committee or the Trans Officer concerned if such a motion is submitted.
112. The discussion of such a motion shall take place at a relevant Regional Meeting of Conference and will be chaired by a member of the Steering Committee. Such a motion shall require a simple majority.

Activist Training Days

113. The Campaign shall host and run Activist Training Days, in line with Policy determined by the Conference. Any Individual Member of NUS may attend an Activist Training Day, regardless of their gender identity.
114. Activist Training Days shall occur in the first term of each academic year.
115. The National Committee shall determine a manner of appointment for Regional Assistants at Activist Training Days, who shall assist the National Committee members that have been assigned to that Region.

The Steering Committee

116. There shall be a Steering Committee, which shall be responsible for the smooth running of Conference. The Steering Committee shall draw up an order paper for Conference, shall ensure that motions and amendments are submitted according to these Standing Orders and shall authorise the issuing of delegate credentials.
117. The Steering Committee shall consist of four (4) members. Only Individual Members of the Campaign are eligible to stand for election to the Steering Committee.
118. The Steering Committee shall be elected at the Annual Conference.
119. The Open Place on the Steering Committee shall be elected from the full Conference by single transferable vote
120. There will be a Black Students place on the Steering Committee which will be elected at the Black Students Caucus.
121. There will be a Women Students place on the Steering Committee which will be elected at the Women Students Caucus.
122. There will be a Disabled Students' place on the Steering Committee, which will be elected at the Disabled Students' Caucus.
123. Positions on the Steering Committee are open to a job-share of not more than two (2) persons.
124. Members of the Steering Committee shall only serve two terms (consecutive or non-consecutive) on the Steering Committee, and whilst they are a member of the Steering Committee shall not be eligible for
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election to the National Committee or as a delegate/observer to the Conference. Elections shall be staggered to promote continuity.

- 125. Members of the Steering Committee must not hold any other political position within the Campaign.
- 126. The quorum for Steering Committee shall be half of the voting membership, rounded up to the nearest integer.
- 127. Steering Committee shall submit a written report to the Annual Conference meeting for distribution on the first day of Conference.

Amendments to these Standing Orders

- 128. These Standing Orders may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the Conference; provided that the basic form of the amendments was circulated with the Ordinary Motions Document.
- 129. Emergency Motions may not seek to amend these Standing Orders, except if submitted by the Steering Committee.
- 130. The Steering Committee shall be empowered to update these Standing Orders, applying plain English after each meeting of the Conference, and may make additional changes to ensure compliance with the NUS Articles of Governance and the NUS Liberation Campaign Rules.
- 131. Amendments approved by the Conference shall not come into effect until the Close of the Conference meeting at which they were agreed, unless:
 - a. the Conference approves a motion proposed by either the Steering Committee, the Chief Returning Officer or the National Committee (or Trans Officer); and this enabling motion is approved by a two-thirds majority.
- 132. The enabling motion shall be notified to the Steering Committee immediately following the agreement to amend the Standing Orders.

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