

**MOTION RE: Councillor Participation Bylaws**

**WHEREAS** there are no bylaws concerning Councillor Participation requirements

**WHEREAS** SSMU Council has previously been constrained by issues of quorum

**WHEREAS** All Councillors should be held accountable for their seat on Council

**Article 27 – Regulations concerning Councillor Participation**

*Every meeting of Council is mandatory*

*If a Councillor has a personal or other conflict they are expected to send regrets to the presiding officer of Council before the meeting begins*

*If a Councillor fails to do so for two consecutive meetings they resign in suspension. During this time the seat will be considered vacant and will not count for the purposes of quorum. Notice will be sent to the resigning Councillor.*

*A suspended Councillor will have to apply to the President for reinstatement. Disciplinary measures will be decided by the Executive Committee and reported to Council at the next meeting.*

*If a Councillor fails to respond within the time allotted they will forfeit their seat.*

*If a Councillor resigns or is removed through these processes the seat will be filled using standard procedures at the discretion of the Executive Committee.*

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the preceding article be inserted into By-Law I-2: Council Guidelines.

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