

# MOTIONS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP

## 9.a AGM Date By-law Amendment

**WHEREAS** Education students in the certification years of their program must complete a mandatory practicum placement in the Spring of each year, and therefore cannot attend the UWSA AGM should it be scheduled during their block.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Bylaw 9.1 "Annual General Meeting," subsection i. be amended to read "The Annual General Meeting of the UWSA Membership shall be held at the University of Winnipeg every year following the general election **and no later than the first day of spring,** as determined by the Board of Directors. At Annual General Meetings, every student who is a Member of the UWSA shall have the right to vote, or to proxy one's vote to another Member in accordance with these By-Laws. Motions not affecting By-Laws or Policy shall be decided by a simple majority of the voters present. Motions affecting By-Laws or Policy shall be decided by a two thirds (2 /3) majority of the voters present. At every Annual General Meeting, the following shall be presented and considered:"

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## 9.b Election Poll Location By-law Amendment

**Whereas** many science students spend large portions of their day in the Richardson complex.

**Whereas** in previous UWSA elections, the time allocated for voting in the Richardson complex has been minimal.

**Whereas** voting activity has been highly active in the past when a voting booth has been located in the Richardson Complex.

**Whereas** in the 2018 UWSA General election, due to extreme weather, the Richardson complex was almost excluded from a voting station entirely.

**Whereas** there are many engaged science students in the Richardson complex, a sizable portion of which that do not interact with main campus very often.

**Therefore let it be resolved that** Bylaw 5.22 xii c) 1. A) be added to read as:

1. a) In all UWSA General Elections, a permanent polling station must be assigned to: Riddell Hall, the Buhler Centre, and the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex.

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## **9.c Election Budget By-law Amendment**

**Whereas** in the 2018 UWSA General election, a snowstorm seriously hindered potential voter turnout.

**Whereas** on March 5, 2018, a snowstorm caused a power-outage in the Richardson complex, preventing the mobile voting station from being used in the building on that day.

**Whereas** the replacement voting booth caused by this power outage only lasted for several hours at the end of the voting period, and was originally not planned to be used in this way.

### **Therefore let it be resolved that:**

1. For future UWSA General Elections, let there be enough room in the budget for the replacement of one mobile voting station in the event that extreme weather events cause a mobile voting station to be cancelled before the last day of voting.

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## 9.d Election Materials By-law Amendment

**Whereas** election candidates in the UWSA elections usually give out desirable “give aways” such as candy, pencils, chocolate, etc.

**Whereas** the goal of the UWSA is to promote an active, informed student population.

**Whereas** the message of UWSA election candidates is what deserves the most focus during the voting period.

**Therefore let it be resolved that** Bylaw 5.24 vi) be added to read:

vi. All campaign materials given away during the voting period must feature the platform or message of a candidate or slate.

a) The platform or message in question must be featured in an accessible font size as stated in Bylaw 5.25 x. d).