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Bylaw: #17-01

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Purpose: To amend the bylaws of the Creighton Students Union, specifically Bylaw IX “Allocation of Funds,” Section G, “Representative Review and Presidential Veto,” Paragraphs 1 & 2 to clarify and reorganize the process of representative review.

Whereas: One of the duties of the Creighton Students Unions Board of Representatives is to review funding requests approved by the Vice President for Finance, and The Appropriations Committee.

Whereas: The process of reviewing funding requests, conducted by the Board of Representatives, is carried out during every board meeting, and is a responsibility of The Board of Representatives.

Whereas: This process should be as fair and efficient as possible, as well as easy to understand.

Whereas: The current process for reviewing funding requests outlined in Bylaw IX, Section G Paragraphs 1 & 2 of the Creighton Student Union is ambiguous and not efficient.

Whereas: Having a period of discussion before voting to affirm the Appropriation Committee’s decision would be a benefit to the board.

Whereas: A discussion period would allow Representatives who represent said organizations to speak on their behalf regarding the purposes of funding requests

Whereas: A discussion period would allow members of The Board of Representatives to deliberate on the pros and cons of providing funding in the amount designated by the Appropriations Committee.

Whereas: A discussion period would allow members of The Board of Representatives to deliberate on the pros and cons of providing funding for any given student organization as designated by the Appropriations Committee.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED THAT THE BYLAWS OF THE CREIGHTON STUDENTS UNION BE AMENDED TO READ...

Bylaw IX. Section G: Representative Review and Presidential Veto

1. All decisions made by The Appropriations Committee shall be presented to the Board of Representatives for affirmation.
 - a. If a member of the Board of Representatives calls for representative review and the motion is seconded by 5 members of the Board of Representatives, a discussion pursuant to standard time limitations shall begin.
 - b. At the end of discussion, a simple majority vote shall be needed in order for the Appropriations Committee's decision to be affirmed.
 - c. If a simple majority vote of affirmation cannot be reached, the Board of Representatives shall be charged with making the funding decision, needing a simple majority vote of approval to revise the decision.
2. Any approval made by the Appropriations Committee and affirmed by the Board of Representatives shall be subject to a veto by the president.
 - a. Upon a presidential veto, the Executive Committee shall review the vetoed funding request. The decision of the Executive Committee shall be approved by a simple majority vote, and shall be final, though subject to an appeal as outlined in Bylaw IV. Section B.

Respectfully Submitted,

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