

## **AGD- Faculty Rep Elections**

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### **Union Council Notes**

1. The Bye-Laws (Section 11-G-IV) stipulate that “Undergraduate and PGR Faculty StARs shall be elected in the academic session before they take office.”
2. The name StARs is no longer used and Faculty StARs are referred to as Faculty Reps.
3. Faculty Rep nominations for PGTs are opened in Autumn.
4. 8 of the 11 Faculties had no PGR Faculty Rep nominations in Spring 2017.
5. 5 of 11 Faculties had no UG Faculty Rep nominations in Spring 2017.
6. First year students are unable to nominate themselves for Faculty Rep positions, unless the positions are unfilled in Spring.
7. First year students are unable to vote for their Faculty Reps , unless positions are unfilled in Spring.

### **Union Council Believes**

1. First year students should be able to stand and vote for Faculty Rep positions
2. Moving all Faculty Reps elections to Autumn would alleviate confusion for students who are sometimes able to stand/vote for Faculty Reps.
3. Moving Faculty Rep elections to Autumn 2018 would have no detrimental effect as many positions are unfilled in Spring and training /support is provided in Autumn.

### **Union Council Resolves**

1. To commit to the electing all Faculty reps in the Autumn by amending Bye-Law 11.10 G.IV and V to read “All Faculty Reps will be elected at the start of the academic session in which they take office.”
2. To amend references from “Faculty StARs” to “Faculty Reps” throughout the Bye-Laws.