

Operations at the General Assembly of the National Union of University Students in Finland (SYL)

### **Section 1 General assembly delegation**

The Student Union is represented by the General Assembly Delegation at SYL's General Assembly. The General Assembly of SYL is the highest decision-making body of the student unions in Finland. The delegation to the General Assembly consists of AYY members. The delegation is independent and autonomous. The delegation's duty is to represent AYY's members from all fields of study, and it represents the Student Union's highest expertise in advocacy, corresponding to the power relations of the Representative Council groups.

### **Section 2 Election of the delegation**

The Board appoints the delegation for the General Assembly of the National Union of University Students in Finland. The delegation consists of the general assembly delegates and deputies who exercise the student union's voting rights at the General Assembly. The Board organises an open call for the delegation. The Board independently appoints five general assembly delegates with voting rights and five deputies. The remaining seats are allocated according to the election results of the Representative Council groups. The Representative Council groups appoint representatives for their groups. Additionally, the Representative Council groups have the opportunity to allocate their seats to the Board's quota. Serving as a delegate or vice delegate does not require membership in the Representative Council, but AYY membership is required.

### **Section 3 Division of tasks and decision-making in the delegation**

The delegation elects its chair from among its members. The chair plans and leads the delegation meetings. The delegation elects a secretary for the delegation. The secretary of the delegation is responsible for documentation and practical arrangements for the delegation. The delegation includes policy interpreters who interpret AYY's policy paper in the interest of the student union. The delegation works at delegation meetings, which are chaired by the delegation's chair. Each delegate has the right not to vote in accordance with the delegation's view.

### **Section 4 Values and policies**

The delegation members are obliged to promote the overall interest of the Student Union. With matters at hand, the Student Union's policy papers are interpreted by policy interpreters appointed by the delegation from among its members.

## **Section 5 Election of persons**

The delegation decides among themselves on the support of candidates for the SYL Board.

## **Section 6 Nomination of candidates**

After interviewing the applicants, a separately appointed body representing the Representative Council makes a proposal on the candidates for the SYL Board election. The AYY Board confirms the candidates according to the proposal.

## **Section 7 Delegation's relationship with the Representative Council and Board**

The Board is responsible for providing comments on issues coming up for the statement round of the student unions. When possible, the Board consults with the General Assembly delegation and the body representing the Representative Council before issuing its statement.

## **Section 8 Entry into force**

This regulation enters into force immediately after the approval of the Representative Council. This regulation annuls the regulation regarding the operations of the General Assembly Delegation approved at the Representative Council meeting 6/2018.

Approved at the Representative Council meeting 6/2024 (22 May 2024).

Amendments to these regulations are decided by the Representative Council.