

## **ASI By-laws Executive Summary**

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On February 6, 2020, the ASI Board of Directors approved the following substantive amendments to the ASI Bylaws with a vote of nine (9) in favor, zero (0) against, and zero (0) abstentions. Those amendments were recommended by the ASI Rules and Policies Committee on January 24th, 2020. As stated in Article XVI, Substantive Amendments are required to undergo a student referendum. A two-thirds (2/3) favorable student vote and subsequent approval by the University President is required. Below is a summary of the following substantive changes:

### **Changes of ASI Executive Board Members Duties**

The ASI President was previously charged with chairing the Sports Recreation Facilities and Enhancement Committee. Due to changes to internal documents, this committee no longer exists and was thus removed from the President's purview. Additionally, the President has been charged with chairing the Human Resources Committee, in accordance with the already-existing Human Resources Committee. The ASI Vice President was charged with chairing the ASI Inter-Council Committee to stay up-to-date with council leadership, and the ASI Senator Pro-Tempore was charged with chairing the Facilities and Operations Committee to stay up-to-date with ASI programming.

### **Changes in Cabinet Composition**

The ASI Secretary of Internal Affairs was removed from the bylaws as their specific function was ill-defined and with the understanding that an Officer of Internal Affairs will be added to internal documents for specific tasks from the ASI President. The ASI Secretary of Programs and Services was removed as its original function of programming has been assumed by the ASI BEAT program, and the Secretary's committee, Facilities and Operations, will now be chaired by the ASI Senator Pro-Tempore. The ASI Secretary of Sustainability was removed with the understanding that an Officer of Sustainability would be created in internal documents with the specific task of sustainable projects. The ASI Secretary of Basic Needs was added with the purpose of chairing the new Basic Needs committee.

### **Changes in ASI Board Standing Committees**

The ASI Sustainability Committee was replaced with the Basic Needs Committee. The Sustainability Committee has had capable leadership but struggled throughout the years to find a purpose other than approving requests from The Green Initiative Fund. To make this process easier these requests will now be taken straight to the Finance committee. It was then decided to replace this committee with a Basic Needs committee chaired by the now-Secretary of Basic Needs to focus on basic needs projects within ASI as well partnering with the University.