

**Meeting Minutes of the regular Congress of the Coalition of Resistance  
for a United Student Movement of March 2-3, 2024**

*Last updated on 2024-03-03*

# 1. Opening

That the congress opens at 9:50

*Proposed by AGEECLG*

*Secoded by AFESH*

*Adopted unanimously*

## 1.1 Praesidium

That Hind Fazazi, Jacynthe Lussier, Gabrielle Bellemare and Alice Lefèvre be respectively elected to animation, secretariat and mood watcher .

*Proposed by AGEECLG*

*Secoded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

## 1.2 Procedures for the current session

That the CRUES code of procedures, as circulated on the e-mail list and distributed for the congress, be adopted for the current session.

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Secoded by AFESPED*

***Motion to amend :***

*That non-member associations be given an indicative vote in order to facilitate participation in the present congress, and that this vote be noted in the minutes.*

*Proposed by AGEECLG*

*Secoded by AFESPED*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once:***

That the CRUES code of procedures for the current session, as circulated on the e-mail list and distributed for the congress, be adopted.

That non-member associations be given an indicative vote in order to facilitate participation in the present congress, and that this vote be noted in the minutes

*Adopted unanimously*

### **1.3 Reading and adoption of the agenda**

That the agenda be as follows:

1. Opening
  - 1.1 Praesidium
  - 1.2 Procedures for the immediate session
  - 1.3 Reading and adoption of the agenda
  - 1.4 Reading and adoption of the minutes
  - 1.5 Filing of Notices of Motion
2. Endorsement of affiliations and disaffiliations
3. Feedback on the campaign
4. By-laws
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  - 4.2. Election procedures
  - 4.3. Translation regulations
  - 4.4. Code of procedures
5. Statutes
  - 5.1. Modifications chapter by chapter
6. Partial elections
7. Varia
8. Closing procedures

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

### **1.4 Reading and adoption of the minutes**

That we adopt the minutes from the regular congress of the 18th and 19th november 2023

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

## **1.5 Filing of Notices of Motion**

### **Filing of Notices of motion by the Inclusion Committee :**

#### **CRUES Accommodation Policy**

Objective : The purpose of this policy is to ensure equitable and equal access to the various CRUES services and events, such as conferences, the Coordinating Council, training camps or any other event. The CRUES is committed to offering accommodations to people with functional limitations, medical restrictions, specific linguistic needs, etc.

Scope: This policy applies to all CRUES members, participants and collaborators.

Principle of accommodation : Respect for dignity: Accommodation measures must be developed and applied in a manner that respects and preserves the dignity of those benefiting from them. Integration and full participation: accommodation measures should ensure maximum integration and full participation of the person who will benefit from them.

Communication : all parties concerned must be informed of accommodation measures, as well as those delegated to implement them.

Accommodation procedure : Request for accommodation: people requiring accommodation may submit a request directly to the organizers, or fill in an application form which will be made available to them by the event organizers.

Needs assessment : event organizers will review requests to determine appropriate accommodation measures.

Implementation of accommodations: the organizing team must ensure that the measures decided upon are applied. Follow-up: Follow-up with those benefiting from the accommodation measures to ensure their effectiveness and to adjust them as necessary.

Recommended good practices: Make the documents and information required for organized events available to participants in advance, such as the program, the proposal booklet, etc. Provide documents adapted to participants' needs. Ensure that there are regular breaks during the various events. Provide quiet, non-stimulating spaces during conferences. When speaking, encourage speakers to use inclusive language and to speak

at a slow, clear pace. Encourage a welcoming and inclusive environment where the safety and well-being of participants are prioritized. Use clear signage in different areas to help participants find their way around. Ensure that venues meet universal accessibility standards.

## **Safer space policy**

### Safer space

A "safer space" is a non-threatening, friendly environment where all participants can feel comfortable expressing themselves and sharing their experiences without fear of discrimination or reprisal. We use the word "safer" to recognize that the feeling of safety is relative to each person: not everyone feels safe in the same conditions, and one person's conditions may conflict with another's. This is why we use the word "safe" in this context. By recognizing each person's experiences in our spaces, we hope to create the safest possible environment. To create and maintain the desired climate, we need guidelines and best practices to follow. Even when everyone wants to maintain this "safer space", we may be unaware of certain problems or occasionally slip up. These good practices are therefore intended to give us a rough orientation during CRUES meetings and activities.

### Best practices:

1. As soon as a recognized risk of problematic behavior is raised, serious consideration should be given to providing a mood watcher, whether for a meeting, chilling, club outing or public event; Respect the physical and emotional boundaries of others;
2. Respect people's identities and experiences, including appropriate pronouns and names.
3. We know less about our peers than we think. Don't assume or make judgments about your peers' gender identity, sexual/romantic orientation, survivor status, health status, social class, religion, past experiences, beliefs or opinions.
4. Respect others' right to privacy both during and outside this dialogue. Don't push your peers to answer questions they don't want to answer, and don't divulge stories or vulnerable moments shared outside the dialogue or event.
5. Be aware that your actions and gestures can have unintended effects on others, and that the emotions of those affected are valid, regardless of the original intention behind the comment or gesture.

6. Avoid raising your voice, interrupting others or talking over someone else. Also be aware of your level of participation: make sure everyone has a chance to speak.
7. If you benefit from the various systems of oppression in our societies, consider practicing disempowerment, i.e. deliberately ceding power from privilege in order to make room and give power to people who are victims of these systems of oppression, which may include: prioritizing their speaking out over that of cis men, accepting one's mistakes, and criticizing other "privileged colleagues".
8. Assume positive intent. If someone says or does something that crosses one of your boundaries, start by letting them know in a friendly way, but don't assume from the outset that the intention was to hurt. Remember, we're all learning to deconstruct systems of oppression.
9. If you notice or witness any inappropriate or abusive behavior, report it to the moderator or the event's mood watcher. In the absence of such resources, those who witness it must intervene to avoid escalation and ensure that everyone's boundaries are respected.
10. Do not allow hateful comments, gestures or attitudes to get through to anyone. Such concerns must be addressed as soon as possible. Whether on the spot, or in the week following the meeting, a concerted intervention with the people affected by the problematic situation must be rapid so that the lasting dynamics of the group/space are not affected.
11. If all else fails, or in the absence of your space's willingness to address your concerns and limitations, prioritize your own safety, and leave. CRUES, like any organization or cause, prefers the well-being of its team to keeping everyone on board at all costs.

## **2. Endorsement of affiliations and disaffiliations**

### **Incidental proposal:**

That we hold a 10 minute plenary on the affiliation of RÉsul

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

**Incidental proposal:**

That we suspend Article 8 of the Statutes and By-laws, in the case of RÉSUL, for the duration of the congress and allow RÉSUL a right to vote for this congress until they have gotten their situation in order.

*Proposed by RÉSUL*

*Secoded by AESS-ULaval*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 10 (12)

AGAINST (indicative) : 3 (0)

ABSTENTION (indicative) : 6 (7)

*Adopted by a two-thirds majority*

That we endorse the affiliation of RÉSUL

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Secoded by AESS-ULaval*

**Motion to amend :**

That we add the following to the initial motion :

Effective after the end of the congress

That RÉSUL's delegations at CRUES congresses be made up exclusively of RÉSUL members who are not represented by AESS-ULaval, in order to avoid double representation

That, effective after the end of the congress, RÉSUL pay membership fees for all of its members not represented by AESS-ULaval

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Secoded by AFESPED*

**Motion to sub-amend**

That the optional membership fees of RÉSUL concern only its members not represented by AESS-ULaval.

*Proposed by AGECAR*

*Secinded by AGECLG*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 18(15)

AGAINST (indicative) : 0

ABSTENTION (indicative) : 3(4)

*Adopted by majority*

***Back on the amendment, as sub-amended once***

That we add the following to the initial motion :

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That, effective after the end of the congress, RÉSUL pay membership fees for all of its members not represented by AESS-ULaval

That the optional membership fees of RÉSUL concern only its members not represented by AESS-ULaval.

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once:***

That we endorse the affiliation of RÉSUL

That, effective after the end of the congress, RÉSUL's delegations at CRUES congresses be made up exclusively of RÉSUL members who are not represented by AESS-ULaval, in order to avoid double representation

That, effective after the end of the congress, RÉSUL pay membership fees for all of its members not represented by AESS-ULaval

That the optional membership fees of RÉSUL concern only its members not represented by AESS-ULaval.



*Adopted unanimously*

### **Incidental proposal**

That we hold a 15 minute plenary on the disaffiliations from CRUES

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

That we endorse the disaffiliations of DSU, AGECR and AGES

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by SCPASA*

*Adopted unanimously*

## **3. Feedback from the campaign**

### **Proposal to make it compulsory to disclose political positions publicly**

Considering that transparency is essential to promote confidence and responsibility in coalitions such as the CRUES;

Considering that the CRUES has adopted several political positions which are not easily accessible to the public;

Considering that a greater usage of our social media could have been an additional mobilization tactic,

That the CRUES make its political positions known to the public through its social media;

That this disclosure include a clear and accessible summary of each position, as well as any supporting arguments or documents;

That the CRUES regularly update its social media platforms to reflect any changes or updates to its political positions.

*Proposed by SCPASA*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

That we take a one-hour lunch break

*Proposed by Executive*

*Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

That we resume the congress

*Proposed by AGEECLG*

*Seconded by SCPASA*

*Adopted unanimously*

That we grant a speaking time of 5 minutes to the Popular Organization for Social Rights (OPDS), followed by a 5 minute question and answer period.

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

**Incidental proposal:**

That we hold a 45 minute plenary on the current state of mobilization for salaried internships

*Proposed by Executive*

*Seconded by AGE CAR*

**Motion to amend :**

That we modify the duration of the session to be 30 minutes long

*Proposed by AGEECLG*

*Seconded by SCPASA*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 8(6)

AGAINST (indicative) : 6(3)  
ABSTENTION (indicative) : 7(5)  
*Adopted by majority*

*Back on the main motion, as amended once:*

**Incidental proposal:**

That we hold a 30 minute plenary on the current state of mobilization as part of the campaign for salaried internship

*Adopted unanimously*

**Incidental proposal:**

That we extend the plenary by 10 minutes

*Proposed by AESS-ULaval  
Secoded by AGE CAR*

*Adopted unanimously*

That associations who cannot be on strike during the week of March 25th for salaried internships perform tangible actions during the same period

*Proposed by AGE CAR  
Secoded by AESS-ULaval*

**Motion to amend :**

Modify “perform direct actions” to read “do their best to perform direct actions”

*Proposed by AGE ECLG  
Secoded by SOGÉÉCOM*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 9(0)

AGAINST (indicative) : 6(5)

ABSTENTION (indicative) : 6(11)

*Adopted by majority*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once:***

That associations who cannot be on strike during the week of March 25th for salaried internships do their best to perform direct actions during the same period.

*Adopted unanimously*

**Motion to publish a press release in support of the protest against the tuition hike**

**Considering** the Coalition Avenir Québec government is imposing a \$3,000 tuition fee increase on out-of-province students, and taking the first \$20,000 of tuition fees from international students;

**Considering** an increase in tuition fees at any university in so-called Quebec is an attack on the accessibility of education as a whole, and moves us further away from the ultimate goal of free education;

**Considering** this tuition fee increase will perpetuate the elitist and classist barriers that exclude low-income and marginalized students from post-secondary education, advancing the logic of the commodification of education;

**Considering** the CAQ has masked its ethno-nationalist and racist agenda behind the smokescreen of language policy, with tuition fee exemptions for international students from France, Belgium and Switzerland on the basis that these countries are French-speaking, while excluding the 26 other nations that have French as an official language, which are notably concentrated in West Africa and colonized by the French-speaking nations mentioned ;

**Considering** that after months of sustained efforts and strikes, several thousand students at Concordia and McGill universities will be on strike for one week, from March 11 to 15.

That CRUES take a stand against the tuition fee increase announced by the CAQ, but also against the underlying context mentioned.

That CRUES denounces any increase in tuition fees as an attack on free, non-discriminatory public education, the protection of which is one of its founding principles.

*Proposed by SCPASA*

*Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

## 4. Regulations

### **Incidental proposal:**

That we hold a 15 minute plenary on the order of priority of Notices of Motion

*Proposed by Executive*

*Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

### **4.1 Financial Regulations**

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AGEECLG*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***Notice of Motion of the Executive for the Addition of Sections to By-law B: Collection, Distribution and Management of Association Funds:***

That the following two sections be added to the CRUES by-laws:

"ARTICLE 7

The Executive Council is responsible for approving expenses under \$5000. Higher jurisdictions may approve expenditures in a lower jurisdictional budget.

ARTICLE 8

The signatories of the CRUES are three members of the Executive Council, including the Treasurer Delegate, if this position is filled. The signatories authorize transactions in the presence of a report of a body having jurisdiction over the corresponding budget, containing the proposal authorizing this expenditure and the invoice related to this expenditure.

When a signatory completes his or her mandate, the process of changing signatories should be initiated as soon as possible."

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AGEECLG*

**Motion to amend**

Que l'on biffe "autres instances" entre "supérieur" et "peuvent" dans l'article 7

Translation note: This amendment only applies to the french version.

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Seconded by AGEECLG*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once***

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AGEECLG*

*Adopted unanimously*

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by AESS-ULaval*

*Seconded by RÉsul*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 14(2)

AGAINST (indicative) : 0(0)

*Adopted by a majority*

***Notice of Motion to Add a Clause to By-law B: Collection, Distribution and Management of Association Funds:***

BY-LAW B: COLLECTION, DISTRIBUTION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION'S FUNDS

Adding an article

Addition of Article 9: That the financial statements of CRUES be certified by an external chartered accountant via an audit mission during the annual congress.

*Proposed by AESS-ULaval*

*Seconded by RÉsul*

**Motion to amend**

That we remove « via an audit mission » from the motion.

*Proposed by AFESH*  
*Secoded by AFESPED*  
*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once***

Adding an article

Addition of Article 9: That the financial statements of CRUES be certified by an external chartered accountant during the annual congress.

*Adopted unanimously*

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*  
*Secoded by AESS-ULaval*

**Incidental proposal:**

That we hold a 5 minute reading period

*Proposed by AFESH*  
*Secoded by AGEELG*  
*Adopted unanimously*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Executive Notice of Motion to Add By-law C: CRUES Reimbursement Policy:***

That By-law C: CRUES Reimbursement Policy be added.

1. "FEES"

All amounts reimbursed by CRUES and related to the costs of transportation, accommodation or meals, registration or membership in the context of external mobilization activities of the Association (mobilization tours, booths, workshops, conferences), made by an elected member of a Committee or of the Executive Council, an administrator, a person employed by CRUES in the performance of their duties, or by an invited collaborator, will be reimbursed according to the rules set out in this policy and must be adopted by the Executive Council.

## 2. OBJECTIVES

The main objectives of this policy are to:

- Regularize the current practices of the administration of income and expenses;
- Oversee the practices of the administration of accumulated funds;
- Establish an ethical standard of behaviour for the actors who work within CRUES in order to maintain a climate of good faith and good understanding;
- Stipulate verification mechanisms for any breach of this policy;
- Establish more precisely the responsibilities of elected members, collaborators, and employees of CRUES with respect to the management of financial resources;
- Prevent fraud, theft and loss to CRUES.

### **B) Rules for the Use of Fees**

To the extent possible, external hospitality expenses must be authorized in advance by the Executive Council or the body responsible for the budget box from which the box is to be drawn. They must relate to the mandates of the persons acting on behalf of the Association and be reasonable.

#### **1) Personal car**

The eligible amount for transportation expenses attributable to the use of a personal vehicle is \$0.68 per kilometer traveled up to the cost of renting an equivalent vehicle for that period, in addition to parking fees.

#### **2) Rental Car**

The eligible amount for transportation costs attributable to the use of a leased car is the actual cost of the lease, the actual cost of the gasoline used, and the parking fees.

#### **3) Public Transit**

The eligible amount for transportation costs attributable to the use of public transit is relative to the actual cost of the transit pass, with the exception of regular season ticket holders.

#### **4) Accommodation Costs**

The eligible amount for accommodation costs is a maximum of \$150.00 taxes included per person per day, only if alternative accommodations (such as with friends) are not available.



## **5) Meal Expenses**

In the case of external representation activities, the maximum amount eligible per person as compensation for meal expenses is \$15.00 per breakfast, \$20.00 per lunch and \$20.00 per dinner. For a maximum of \$55 taxes included per day per person.

## **6) Legal Alcohol or Recreational Drugs**

Under no circumstances may alcohol or legal recreational drugs (e.g. marijuana) be subject to representation fees or reimbursements to persons acting for or in collaboration with the Association.

### **(C) Claims for Expenses Incurred**

Claims for expenses or purchases incurred by an elected member or employee of CRUES activities must be submitted to the Executive Council as soon as possible using supporting documentation.

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

## **4.2 Election Procedures**

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by SCPASA*

### **Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 18 (10)

AGAINST (indicative) : 0 (0)

ABSTENTIONS (indicative) : 3 (3)

*Adopted by a majority*

### ***Notice of Motion from the Coordinating Council for the Interim Elections:***

That the release deadline for interim CoCo elections be changed from "two (2) weeks" to "one (1) week". so that the 3rd paragraph of the Calling of Elections section reads as follows:

"The Executive Council or the Coordinating Council may call elections on an interim basis, when such elections are held in the Coordination Council. In this case, the publication must be distributed at least one (1) week before the Coordinating Council meeting. »

#### **Preferred proposal:**

That we take a 10-minute break

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Secoded by AEAUM*

*Adopted unanimously*

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Secoded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***Notice of Motion from the Executive for Interim Elections:***

That we add "An interim election does not require a letter of nomination, but the Executive Council is responsible for informing member associations of the appointment of the new interim election as soon as possible." in the NOMINATION section to read as follows :

« NOMINATION

Each candidate in a general election or by-election must send a letter of candidacy to the head office of the CRUES, except in the case of a nomination to an ad hoc committee. This letter should be added in the next update of the Congress Booklet. **An interim election does not require a letter of nomination, but the Executive Council is responsible for informing the member**

associations of the appointment of the new interim elected members as soon as possible. The letter of candidacy must be sent at least two (2) weeks prior to the opening of the Congress for a nomination for a position on the Executive Council or a Spokesperson position. It must be sent at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the opening of the Congress for a nomination to a Standing Committee or a position as a Press Secretary. »

*Proposed by the Executive Council  
Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 7(5)

AGAINST (indicative) : 7(3)

ABSTENTION (indicative) : 5(10)

*Defeated by a majority*

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council  
Seconded by SCPASA*

*Adopted unanimously*

**Incidental proposal:**

That we take a 10-minute reading time.

*Proposed by the Executive Council  
Seconded by AEAUM*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Notice of Motion from the Executive for the Procedures and Conduct of the Elections***

That all of the following be replaced:

**" Vote**

Prior to voting, candidates will have three (3) minutes to present their presentations, followed by a minimum of five (5) minutes of question periods. In addition, during a general election, the vote must be preceded by a plenary of at least thirty (30) minutes on all candidates. All debates on the candidates are held in the presence of the candidates.

Elections are held on a position-by-position basis. The procedure varies depending on the number of people who can fill the position and the number of applications. In all cases, each candidate must, in order to be elected, receive an absolute majority of the votes.

If the number of candidates is less than or equal to the number of persons who can fill the position or if the number of persons who can fill the position is unlimited, the vote is made individually for each candidate.

If the number of candidates is greater than the number of persons eligible for the position, a ballot shall be held, in which each delegation votes for a number of persons who may occupy the post equal to or less than the number of persons who may occupy the position. The persons with the absolute majority of the votes are elected, while the person with the fewest votes is eliminated. If the number of people who can fill the position is not reached, the procedure is repeated for unfilled positions only, as many times as necessary. »

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#### **" Conduct of the vote**

The procedure varies depending on the number of people who can fill the position and the number of applications. In all cases, each candidate must, in order to be elected, receive an absolute majority of the votes.

Congress general elections and by-elections shall be held on a position-by-position basis and shall follow the following order:

1. The facilitator provides a brief description of the responsibilities of the position to be filled;
2. the facilitator announces the names of the persons who have been duly applied for this position;
3. Each candidate will have three (3) minutes to present the presentation;
4. Once all candidates have introduced themselves, a ten (10) minute question and answer period will be conducted. Questions are answered immediately after being asked. When questions involve more than one candidate at the same time, they must take turns answering them in an order that varies from question to question in the interest of fairness.
5. Each of the candidates must then leave the room so that the body can discuss the applications in a twenty (20) minute plenary.
6. Congress votes on nominations in the following ways:

1. If the number of candidates is less than or equal to the number of persons who can fill the position or if the number of persons who can fill the position is unlimited, the vote is made individually for each candidate.
2. If the number of candidates is greater than the number of persons eligible for the position, a ballot shall be held, in which each delegation votes for a number of persons who may occupy the post equal to or less than the number of persons who may occupy the position. The persons with the absolute majority of the votes are elected, while the person with the fewest votes is eliminated. If the number of people who can fill the position is not reached, the procedure is repeated for unfilled positions only, as many times as necessary.

The only acceptable amendments to the order of procedure are:

1. increasing the length of the presentation, Q&A and plenary periods included therein.
2. Invitation for one or more candidates, who have left the room, to return briefly to answer one or more questions that the body wishes to put to them.
3. secret ballot, as provided for in the CRUES Code of Procedure.

In the case of a candidacy that also acts as an associative delegation for the duration of the proceedings and that this delegation signifies the interest of its association in voting on the nominations, the body in question is invited to proceed to a secret ballot.

### **Interim elections in Congress**

Interim elections in Congress follow the same procedure as by-elections and general elections, with the exception of what appears in point 2. of the voting process, where the animation receives spontaneous candidacies instead of nominating duly submitted candidates. When all the positions have been processed, the animation can also give the room one last chance to receive applications for positions that remain vacant.

Congress may hold both by-elections and interim elections, in which case interim nominations must be processed after all those duly filed.

### **Spontaneous candidacies in general elections**

It is not possible to hold interim elections or to elect spontaneous candidates at a Congress that deals with general elections (with the exception of ad hoc committees). All processed applications must be duly submitted within the prescribed deadlines. »

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by SCPASA*

**Motion to amend**

That we add “50% plus 1 while counting abstentions” after “absolute majority of the votes” in the first paragraph of the section “conduct of the vote”.

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Seconded by AFESPED*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once:***

That the following be replaced in its entirety:

**“Vote**

Before the vote, candidates have three (3) minutes to present themselves, followed by a question period of at least five (5) minutes. In addition, in the case of a general election, the vote must be preceded by a plenary of at least thirty (30) minutes on all candidates. All candidate debates are held in the presence of the candidates.

Elections are conducted on a position-by-position basis. The procedure varies according to the number of persons who may occupy the position and the number of nominations. In all cases, to be elected, each candidate must receive an absolute majority of votes.

If the number of candidates is less than or equal to the number of persons eligible to hold the position, or if the number of persons eligible to hold the position is unlimited, the vote is taken individually for each candidate.

If the number of candidates is greater than the number of persons eligible to hold the position, a ballot is held, in which each delegation votes for a number of candidates equal to or less than the number of persons eligible to hold the position. Those with the absolute majority of votes are elected, while the person with the fewest votes is eliminated. If the number of people able to fill the position is not reached, the procedure is repeated for the unfilled positions only, as many times as necessary."

By

**"Voting procedure**

The procedure varies according to the number of people who can fill the position and the number of candidates. In all cases, to be elected, each candidate must receive an absolute majority of votes (50% + 1, counting abstentions).

General and by-elections at Congress are conducted on a position-by-position basis, in the following order:

1. the moderator gives a brief description of the responsibilities of the position to be filled;
2. the moderator announces the names of those who have been duly nominated for the position;
3. each candidate has three (3) minutes in which to present himself/herself;
4. when all candidates have introduced themselves, a ten (10)-minute question-and-answer period is held. Questions are answered immediately after being asked. When questions concern more than one candidate at a time, they must be answered in turn, in an order that varies from question to question, for the sake of fairness.
5. each candidate must then leave the room so that the body can discuss the nominations in a twenty (20)-minute plenary.
6. the Congress votes on the nominations as follows:
  - a) If the number of nominations is less than or equal to the number of persons eligible to hold the position, or if the number of persons eligible to hold the position is unlimited, the vote is taken individually for each nominee.
  - b) If the number of candidates is greater than the number of persons eligible to hold the position, a ballot is held, in which each delegation votes for a number of candidates equal to or less than the number of persons eligible to hold the position. Those with the absolute majority of votes are elected, while the person with the fewest votes is eliminated. If the number of persons eligible to occupy the position is not reached, the procedure is repeated for the unfilled positions only, as many times as necessary.

The only admissible amendments to the running order are :

1. increasing the length of the presentation, question/answer and plenary periods.
2. inviting one or more candidates who have left the room to return briefly to answer one or more questions put to them by the body.
3. secret ballot, in accordance with the CRUES code of procedure.

In the case of a candidate who is also acting as an associative delegation for the duration of the body, and this delegation signifies its association's interest in voting on the candidates, the body in question is invited to proceed with a secret ballot.

### **Interim elections at Congress**

Interim elections at Congress follow the same procedure as by-elections and general elections, with the exception of point 2 of the voting procedure, in which the moderator receives

unsolicited candidacies rather than nominating candidates who have been duly submitted. When all positions have been filled, the moderator may also give the room one last chance to receive nominations for positions still vacant.

The Congress may hold both by-elections and interim elections, in which case interim nominations must be processed after all those duly submitted.

### **Spontaneous candidacies for general elections**

It is not possible to hold interim elections or to elect unsolicited candidates at a Congress that deals with general elections (with the exception of ad hoc committees). All nominations processed must be duly filed within the prescribed deadlines."

*Adopted unanimously*

## **4.3 Translation Regulations**

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by SCPASA*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***Notice of Executive Motions for the Addition of a Translation By-law:***

That a new by-law D: Translation be added, to read as follows:

## **" REGULATION D: TRANSLATION**

### **ARTICLE 1**

All of the following documents will be translated into English:

- Website
- Budget and Financial Statements
- Statutes and By-Laws
- Official Engagement Materials
- Newspaper



- Minutes of the Congresses
- Social Media Posts

## ARTICLE 2

Simultaneous translation will be provided at all congresses if requested by a member or non-member delegation.

## ARTICLE 3

Any CRUES member association and any individual member of a student association in so-called Quebec can request that a CRUES document be translated into English. A follow-up must be carried out within seven (7) days of receipt of this request, to transmit the translated document, or failing that, to explain the reasons that delay the translation of the document. »

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Secoded by SCPASA*

### **Motion to amend:**

That we add “verbal and minutes” between “Simutaneous” and “translation” in article 2

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Secoded by AGEDECLG*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once:***

That By-law D: Translation be added, to read as follows:

**"BY-LAW D: TRANSLATION**

## ARTICLE 1

All of the following documents will be translated into English:

- Website
- Budget and financial statements
- By-laws and regulations
- Official mobilization material
- Journal
- congress minutes
- Social media publications

## ARTICLE 2

Simultaneous verbal translation and translation of the minutes will be provided at all congress if requested by a member or non-member delegation.

## ARTICLE 3

Any member association of CRUES and any individual member of a student association in so-called Quebec may request that a CRUES document be translated into English. A follow-up must be made within seven (7) days of receipt of this request, to transmit the translated document, or failing that, to explain the reasons for the delay in translating the document."

*Adopted unanimously*

## 4.4 Code of Procedures

### *Executive's Proposal for the Adoption of the Code of Procedures*

That the Code of Procedure used for this Congress as it has been issued be formally adopted as the Congress Code of Procedure for CRUES

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AFESPED*

*Adopted unanimously*

### **Incidental motion to modify the agenda:**

That we go back to point 3. Campaign

*Proposed by SCPASA*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval-Laval*

### **Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 4(6)

AGAINST (indicative) : 16(1)

ABSTENTION (indicative) : 1(9)

*Defeated by a majority*

## 5. Statutes

### 5.1 Chapter-by-chapter modifications

*Adoption of a rule of procedure for the session:*

That by-law modifications be dealt with chapter by chapter, i.e. one (1) chapter at a time, in the order in which they appear in the congress booklet.

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

### Chapter 1: General Description

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

#### **Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 11(10)

AGAINST (indicative) : 3(1)

*Adopted by a majority*

### ***SOGÉÉCOM's Notice of Motion to Add a Principle***

*Considering that CRUES, in fighting for accessible education free from commodification, fights for access to and dissemination of knowledge in general;*

*Considering that, in this perspective, CRUES has a duty to defend projects aimed at the dissemination of knowledge and reducing the obstacles generated by the intellectual property of ideas;*

*Considering that it is in this struggle that the development of free software and free culture is inscribed;*

That a principle 14 "for the free and accessible dissemination of knowledge and information, the promotion of free software and the autonomous control of computer equipment" be added to Article 4 of the Statutes and Regulations of the CRUES.

*Proposed by SOGÉÉCOM*  
*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 3 (8)  
AGAINST (indicative) : 10 (4)  
ABSTENTION (indicative) : 8 (3)

*Defeated by a majority*

**Preferred proposal:**

That we take a 30-minute break

*Proposed by RÉSUL*

*Seconded by SCPASA*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 1 (0)  
AGAINST (indicative) : 20 (15)  
ABSTENTION (indicative) : (3)

*Defeated by a majority*

**Motion to modify the praesidium:**

That we elect Lili Daviault-Campbell as mood watcher of the congress until the end of the day.

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AGEELG*

*Adopted unanimously*

## **Chapter 2: Membership**

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AGECAR*

*Adopted unanimously*

## ***Notice of Motion of the Executive to Amend the Terms and Conditions of Membership***

That, in connection with affiliations, the following should be added to point 2 of Article 5: "and that the general assembly be its supreme body" after "that the association be democratic and controlled by its members in general assembly" so that the article reads as follows: "that the association be democratic and controlled by its members in general assembly, that the general assembly be its supreme body;".

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AGE CAR*

*Adopted unanimously*

## **Chapter 3: Congress**

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by AESS-ULaval*

*Seconded by RÉSUL*

### **Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 12 (4)

AGAINST (indicative) : 9 (3)

*Adopted by a majority*

## ***AESS-ULaval' Notice of Motion to Amend Rule 13: Composition***

ARTICLE 13: COMPOSITION

Article as it is written in the Constitution

That ARTICLE 50: COMPOSITION be amended by removing "Delegations may not include more than one cisgender male. [...] Member delegations must give priority to the participation of non-white students. If an all-white delegation is sent, a statement to justify this choice must be drafted and sent to the Executive Committee, which will then send a communication to all member associations reporting the justifications sent." and adding "Member delegations must encourage the participation of non-white students from a perspective of inclusion and diversity."

Proposed Modification

Each delegation, including observer delegations, shall consist of not more than three (3) persons. A delegation may change its composition between two days of the Congress, provided that it complies with the other procedures and informs the praesidium accordingly. Member delegations should encourage the participation of non-white students with a view to inclusion and diversity.

What would change in the text :

Each delegation, including observer delegations, is made up of a maximum of three (3) people. ~~Delegations may not include more than one cisgender man.~~ A delegation may change its composition between two Congress days, provided it complies with the other conditions and informs the praesidium. Member delegations ~~must give priority to~~ should encourage the participation of non-white students with a view to inclusion and diversity. ~~If an all-white delegation is sent, a statement justifying this choice must be drafted and sent to the Executive Committee, which will then send a communication to all member associations reporting the justifications sent.~~

**Incidental proposal:**

That a non-mixed caucus composed of racialized people meet to discuss the motion for 15 minutes.

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

**Back on the main motion:**

**Motion to amend**

That we add “and gender-diverse” after “non-white”.

*Proposed by AESS-ULaval*

*Seconded by SCPASA*

*Adopted unanimously*

**Back on the main motion, as amended once:**

ARTICLE 13: COMPOSITION

Article as it is written in the Constitution

That ARTICLE 50: COMPOSITION be amended by removing "Delegations may not include more than one cisgender male. [...] Member delegations must give priority to the participation of non-white students. If an all-white delegation is sent, a statement to justify this choice must be drafted and sent to the Executive Committee, which will then send a communication to all member associations reporting the justifications sent." and adding "Member delegations must encourage the participation of non-white students from a perspective of inclusion and diversity."

#### Proposed Modification

Each delegation, including observer delegations, shall consist of not more than three (3) persons. A delegation may change its composition between two days of the Congress, provided that it complies with the other procedures and informs the praesidium accordingly. Member delegations should encourage the participation of non-white students with a view to inclusion and diversity.

#### Which would change the text to :

Each delegation, including observer delegations, is made up of a maximum of three (3) people. ~~Delegations may not include more than one cisgender man.~~ A delegation may change its composition between two Congress days, provided it complies with the other conditions and informs the praesidium. Member delegations ~~must give priority to~~ **should encourage** the participation of non-white **and gender-diverse** students **in a perspective of inclusion and diversity**. ~~If an all-white delegation is sent, a statement justifying this choice must be drafted and sent to the Executive Committee, which will then send a communication to all member associations reporting the justifications sent.~~

#### **Preferred proposal:**

That we take a one-hour dinner break

*Proposed by the Executive council*

*Seconded by SCPASA*

#### **Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 2(4)

AGAINST (indicative) : 18 (7)

***Defeated by a majority***

#### **The previous question has been called**

FOR (indicative) : 11 (15)

AGAINST (indicative) : 7 (0)

***Defeated by a majority***

**Preferred proposal:**

That we adjourn until 9 a.m. tomorrow

*Proposed by AGEECLG*

*Secinded by RÉSUL*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 8 (7)

AGAINST (indicative) : 15 (6)

*Defeated by a majority*

**The previous question has been called**

*Proposed by AESS-ULaval-Laval*

*Secinded by AEAUM*

FOR (indicative) : 21 (10)

AGAINST (indicative) : 0 (0)

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once:***

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 4 (0)

AGAINST (indicative) : 23 (9)

ABSTENTIONS (indicative) : 0 (1)

*Defeated by a majority*

**Preferred proposal:**

That we adjourn until 9 a.m. tomorrow

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Secinded by AGEECLG*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 15 (7)

AGAINST (indicative) : 6 (3)

*Adopted by a majority*



The session is adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

**Motion to resume the congress at 9:31 am**

*Proposed by Executive council*

*Seconded by AEAUM*

*Adopted by a majority*

**Preferred proposal:**

That we return to the third point of the agenda

*Proposed AFESH*

*Seconded SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by AESS-ULaval*

*Seconded by AGE CAR*

*Adopted unanimously*

***AESS-ULaval Notice of Motion to Amend Rule 20: Location***

ARTICLE 20: LOCATION

Article as it is written in the Constitution

The choice of the venue for the Congresses should aim to vary the regions over time and to minimize the logistical burden of travel.

Proposed Modification

The choice of the venue for the Congresses should aim to vary the regions over time and to minimize the logistical burden of travel.

In order to minimize the expenses of the member associations during the holding of the congresses and to ensure fairness, the CRUES budget must provide financial compensation or a provided transportation option for the member associations if the congress is not held in their city.

## Justification

Considering that CRUES congresses are part of a perspective of inclusion through the alternation of host cities, we notice that travel costs can quickly become imposing for member associations. As such, we believe that these expenses may impact the participation of some member associations as they do not necessarily have a budget to absorb these expenses.

*Proposed by AESS-ULaval*

*Seconded by AGECAR*

*Adopted unanimously*

## **Chapter 4: Coordinating Council**

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***AFESH Notice of Motion to Modify the Position of Secretary in the Coordinating Council***

That AFESH-UQAM propose the following amendments to the statutes and by-laws of the CRUES:

That in Chapter 4, Article 24, add "and the Secretary of the Coordinating Council" after "Standing Committee" so that the sentence reads: "The persons delegated by the Executive Council and by each Standing Committee and the person secretary of the Coordinating Council shall constitute the voting members of the Coordinating Council.";

That the phrase "If the secretary is not delegated by a Committee to the Coordinating Council, he or she has the right to speak" be deleted;

That in Chapter 4, Article 25, the phrase "The Coordinating Council shall appoint the Secretary of the Coordinating Council from among the members of the Executive Council or of the Standing Committees" be replaced with "The Secretary of the Coordinating Council shall be elected at the Annual Congress".

**Preferred proposal**

That we take a 7-minute break

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion:***

**Motion to amend**

That we strike out "That in Chapter 4, Article 24, we add "and the Secretary of the Coordinating Council" after "Standing Committee" so that the sentence reads as follows: "The persons delegated by the Executive Council and by each Standing Committee and the Secretary of the Coordinating Council constitute the voting members of the Coordinating Council."

*Proposed by Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once***

That the sentence "If the Secretary is not delegated by a Committee to the Coordinating Council, he or she has the right to speak" be removed;

That in Chapter 4, Article 25, the sentence "The Coordinating Council appoints, from among the members of the Executive Council or the Standing Committees, the Secretary of the Coordinating Council" be replaced by "The Secretary of the Coordinating Council is elected at the annual congress".

**Motion to amend**

That we replace "during the annual congress" by "in congress".

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended twice***

That the sentence "If the Secretary is not delegated by a Committee to the Coordinating Council, he or she has the right to speak" be struck out;

That in Chapter 4, Article 25, the sentence "The Coordinating Council appoints, from among the members of the Executive Council or the Standing Committees, the Secretary of the Coordinating Council" be replaced by "The Secretary of the Coordinating Council is elected at the congress".

*Adopted unanimously*

## **Chapter 5: Elected Positions**

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***Notice of Motion from the Executive Council to Amend Section 33 on Multiple Positions***

That section 33 read as follows: "No person shall hold more than one position on the Executive Council. A member of the Executive Council may not hold a position as a spokesperson or a position on the executive of a local student association. »

Be replaced by: "A person may not hold more than one elected position in the CRUES. A member of the Executive Council or a spokesperson for CRUES may not hold a position on the executive of a local student association. »

Purpose: Prohibits the duplication of positions for committees and simplifies the wording.

#### **Call for a vote:**

FOR (indicative) : 15 (11)

AGAINST (indicative) : 0 (0)

ABSTENTIONS (indicative) : 3 (0)

*Adopted by a majority*

## **Chapter 6: Executive Council**

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***Executive's Notice of Motion to Change the Role of Executive Officers***

That "ex officio member" be replaced by "whose duties are related" to ARTICLE 37: DUTIES so that it reads as follows: "Ex-officio members of the ~~Executive Council~~ whose duties are related to a Committee shall be responsible for performing the functions of the Committee in the event of a vacancy or ineffectiveness of the Committee.",

That the description of the responsibilities for the Internal Relations, Academic Affairs Officer, Information Officer and Communications Officer be changed in ARTICLE 38: COMPOSITION by replacing "Serve on the Committee" with "Liaise with the Committee" and add "Participate in Committee Meetings".

That BY-LAW 50: MEMBERSHIP be amended by replacing "Committees shall be composed of elected members. Members of the Executive Council who are ex officio members of a Committee are full members. Any member of a Committee has the right to speak, propose and vote. Non-elected collaborators are not members of the Committee in which they are involved, but have the right to speak and to make proposals. »

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"The Committees shall be composed of elected members. Any member of a Committee has the right to speak, propose and vote. Non-elected collaborators are not members of the Committee in which they are involved, but have the right to speak and to make proposals. The members of the Executive Council whose tasks are related to one or more Committee(s) have the right to speak and to make proposals. in order to take away the voting rights of executive persons on committees.

Which we cross out "and who is ideally not a member of the Executive Council." in ARTICLE 52: DELEGATION so that it reads as follows: "Each Committee shall delegate, from among its members, a person to represent it at the meetings of the Coordinating Council and at the Congress. ~~and who is ideally not a member of the Executive Council.~~»

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

## Chapter 7: Spokesperson

### **Incidental proposal:**

That we hold a 10-minute plenary

*Proposed by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Secoded by RÉSUL*

### **Motion to amend**

That we replace 10 minutes by 20 minutes

*Proposed by AGECLG*

*Secoded by AGE CAR*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***Back on the main motion, as amended once:***

That we hold a 20-minute plenary.

*Adopted unanimously*

### **Incidental proposal:**

That we hold a 10-minute collective drafting time

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Secoded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

### Motion to adopt Chapter 7, as follows:

#### CHAPTER 7: SPOKESPERSON

#### ARTICLE 41: COMPOSITION

Spokespersons, press attachés and the person in charge of communications are responsible for spokesperson duties. These persons may not be assisted by non-elected collaborators.

#### ARTICLE 42: SPOKESPERSONS

There are two (2) spokesperson positions:

1. Which cannot be filled by cis men;
2. One of the two spokespersons must be from the region;

3. That people at the intersection of various oppressions be favored.

The spokespersons have the following responsibilities:

1. To convey CRUES' decisions, demands and positions to the media and general public, according to CRUES' campaigns, priorities and media strategy;
2. To promote and defend the principles and actions of CRUES in the public sphere;
3. To report on their activities to the Congress and the Coordinating Council.
4. To carry out each of its communications in consultation with the press officers and the Executive Council.

#### ARTICLE 43: SPOKESPERSON IN THE EVENT OF A GGI

The planned or unforeseen outbreak of an indefinite general strike (GGI) or a renewable general strike (GGR) as part of a CRUES campaign - or a broader grouping linked to it - automatically entails the following changes to the spokespersonship:

1. the mandates of current spokespersons are automatically terminated thirty (30) days after the launch of a GGI or GGR by at least four (4) CRUES member associations or a related group representing more than 30,000 students;
2. replacement positions: up to one (1) year before the planned launch of a GGI or GGR, by CRUES or a related broader grouping, replacement positions for spokespersons become effective. They remain in effect until the end of the semester in which the said activation is scheduled.
  - a. The election of replacements takes place at a congress.
  - b. The sole function of the replacement spokesperson is to assume the role of spokesperson at the end of the thirty (30) day mandate of the previously elected spokesperson, following the triggering of a GGI or GGR corresponding to the criteria of the present article.
  - c. A replacement Spokesperson becomes a full Spokesperson as soon as they assume the position, which implies that all responsibilities of the position now fall to them.

- d. At the moment when a replacement person assumes the functions of spokesperson, any other function they hold within the CRUES is immediately terminated.
  - e. Whether the GGI or GGR is planned or unplanned, the congress must in all cases elect replacements before the end of the spokesperson's thirty (30)-day term.
  - f. For the duration of the strike, replacement spokespersons must be elected by the congress if the spokesperson positions are filled.
3. Following a strike corresponding to the criteria of this article, the mandates of each spokesperson last exactly thirty (30) days each, and this until the end of the strike of all student associations affiliated to CRUES or to a broader grouping linked to it;
  4. That the same person may not be re-elected for two (2) affiliate mandates, but that they may reoccupy the position of spokesperson for the same strike.
  5. That the same person may not serve as spokesperson for more than ninety (90) days per year.
  6. The end of a GGI or GGR which meets the criteria of the present article entails the end of the mandate of the spokespersons and replacements.

#### ARTICLE 43: PRESS OFFICERS

An unlimited number of press officers are elected, as required, to support the work of the spokespersons. Press Officers have the following responsibilities:

1. Provide administrative support for the work of the spokespersons;
2. Invite the media to special events and prepare press briefings;
3. Help spokespersons prepare for public appearances;
4. Keep abreast of current events.

#### ARTICLE 44: DELEGATION

Persons performing the duties of spokesperson must delegate, among them, a person who represents them at meetings of the Coordinating Council, without the right to vote.



## ARTICLE 45: VACANCY

Exceptionally, in the event of a vacancy in the position of spokesperson, the Executive Council shall choose, for each occasion when it is necessary, one of its members to assume the duties of spokesperson. Under no circumstances may this procedure be used to postpone the election of spokespersons.

*Proposed by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

## Chapter 8: Committees

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***Executive's Notice of Motion to Rule 49: POWERS, Concerning Collaborators***

That we replace "to appoint an unlimited number of unelected collaborators to assist them." by "to appoint non-elected collaborators for ad hoc tasks." in section 49: POWERS.

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

## Chapter 9: Amendment of the Statutes

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by AFESPED*

*Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

## ***AFESPED's Notice of Motion Regarding Deadline for Filing Notices of Motion***

*Considering that the time limit for convening a regular Congress is four (4) weeks (Art. 17 of the Statutes);*

*Considering that the deadline for the tabling of notices of motion is also four (4) weeks (Art. 59 of the Constitution), which can hardly be met if the Congress is convened with the minimum deadline;*

That, in Article 59, point 2, of the Statutes, the words "four (4) weeks" be replaced by "three (3) weeks".

### **Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 16 (15)

AGAINST (indicative) : 3 (0)

ABSTENTION (indicative) : 1 (0)

*Adopted by a majority*

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

## ***Executive's Notice of Motion to Add Rule 61: Language Incompatibilities***

That the following article be added to the statutes of the CRUES:

"ARTICLE 61: LINGUISTIC INCOMPATIBILITIES

In the event of any inconsistency between different language versions of these Statutes and By-Laws, the French version shall be the original document and shall take precedence over the others. »

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***Executive's Notice of Motion to Add Rule 62: Suspension of an Article***

That the following article be added to the statutes of the CRES:

"ARTICLE 62: SUSPENSION OF AN ARTICLE

It is under no circumstances possible to suspend an article of the articles of association. The Congress may, however, suspend one or more sections of the by-laws (Chapter 10) by following the terms of the Suspension of By-laws set out in the CRUES Code of Procedures. »

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*

## **Chapter 10: Regulations**

That we treat the following notice of motion:

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Seconded by RÉsul*

*Adopted unanimously*

### ***AFESH Notice of motion on praesidium salary***

That a "Praesidium" chapter be added to the CRUES statutes and regulations:

The congress praesidium is composed of at least four (4) people fulfilling the functions of moderator, secretary, mood watcher, speaking turn and up to four (4) translators as needed. QTBIPOC (Queer, Trans, Black, Indigenous and People of Color) must be given preference when selecting a candidate for animation.

The work of any person on the praesidium is compensated at the rate of \$25 per hour of assembly time, with a minimum of \$75. An hour started is an hour paid. This amount is indexed

to the Consumer Price Index (CPI), with indexation taking effect one year after adoption of this article. Indexation is ratified at the annual congress, depending on CRUES' financial health. Under no circumstances may indexation be used to reduce the amount of remuneration.

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Secoded by RÉSUL*

### **Incidental proposal**

That we hold a 10-minute plenary

*Proposed by AGEECLG*

*Secoded by AGE CAR*

*Adopted unanimously*

That the plenary be extended by 10 minutes

*Proposed by AGEECLG*

*Secoded by AFESPED*

*Adopted unanimously*

### **Preferred proposal**

That we take a one-hour lunch break.

*Proposed by AFESPED*

*Secoded by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Adopted unanimously*

### **Incidental proposal**

That we hold a 10-minute presentation by the Executive Board on the current state of finances.

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Secoded by AESS-ULaval*

### ***Back on the main motion:***

#### **Motion to amend**

That the following paragraph be added between the two paragraphs:

"The executive must do its utmost to find a praesidium made up of people willing to offer their services free of charge. In the event that the executive does not succeed in finding such volunteers, that the portion of the praesidium members requesting remuneration benefit from the following:"

And that we replace "\$25" by "\$20", "\$75" by "\$60" and change "annual congress" by "CoCo once-a-year" in the third paragraph as shown in the following paragraph:

"The work of people on the praesidium is compensated at the rate of \$20 per hour of meeting time, with a minimum of \$60. An hour started is an hour paid. This amount is indexed to the Consumer Price Index (CPI), with indexation taking effect one year after adoption of this article. The indexation is ratified in CoCo once a year, depending on CRUES' financial health. Under no circumstances may this entrenchment be used to lower the amount of remuneration."

So that it reads as such:

The congress praesidium is composed of at least four (4) people fulfilling the functions of moderator, secretary, mood watcher, speaking turn and up to four (4) translators as needed. QTBIPOC (Queer, Trans, Black, indigenous and racialized people) must be given preference when selecting a candidate for animation.

The executive must do its utmost to find a praesidium made up of people willing to offer their services free of charge. In the event that the executive does not succeed in finding such volunteers, that the portion of the praesidium members requesting remuneration benefit from the following:"

The work of people on the praesidium is compensated at the rate of \$20 per hour of meeting time, with a minimum of \$60. An hour started is an hour paid. This amount is indexed to the Consumer Price Index (CPI), with indexation taking effect one year after adoption of this article. The indexation is ratified by the Coordinating Council once a year, depending on CRUES' financial health. Under no circumstances may this entrenchment be used to lower the amount of remuneration.

*Proposed by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Seconded by AFESPED*

### **Incidental proposal of splitting**

That the two parts of the amendment be split and treated separately.

*Proposed by AGE CAR*

*Seconded by AEAUM*

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the split amendment:***

**Amendment 1:**

That the following paragraph be added between the two paragraphs:

"The executive must do its utmost to find a praesidium made up of people willing to offer their services free of charge. In the event that the executive does not succeed in finding such volunteers, that the portion of the praesidium members requesting remuneration benefit from the following:"

**The previous question has been moved**

*Proposed by RÉSUL*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

FOR (indicative) : 24 (14)

AGAINST (indicative) : 0 (2)

*Adopted by a majority*

**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 10 (3)

AGAINST (indicative) : 10 (6)

ABSTENTION (indicative) : 1 (8)

*Defeated by a majority*

**Special proposal:**

That we resume the vote (under article 58)

Proposed by SOGÉÉCOM

Seconded by AFESH

FOR (indicative) : 9 (3)

AGAINST (indicative) : 10 (6)

ABSTENTION (indicative) : 2 (8)

*Defeated by a majority*

**Amendment 2:**

That we replace "\$25" by "\$20", "\$75" by "\$60" and change "annual congress" by "once-a-year" in the third paragraph as shown in the following paragraph:

"The work of people on the praesidium is compensated at the rate of \$20 per hour of meeting time, with a minimum of \$60. An hour started is an hour paid. This amount is indexed to the Consumer Price Index (CPI), with indexation taking effect one year after adoption of this article. The indexation is ratified by the Coordinating Council once a year, depending on CRUES' financial health. Under no circumstances may this entrenchment be used to lower the amount of remuneration."

*Adopted unanimously*

***Back on the main motion, as amended once:***

That a "Praesidium" chapter be added to the CRUES statutes and regulations:

The congress praesidium is composed of at least four (4) people fulfilling the functions of moderator, secretary, mood watcher, speaking turn and up to four (4) translators as needed. QTBIPOC (Queer, Trans, Black, Indigenous and People of Color) must be given preference when selecting a candidate for animation.

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**Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 13 (11)

AGAINST (indicative) : 6 (0)

ABSTENTIONS (indicative) : 2 (3)

*Adopted by a majority*

## **6. By-election**

That we hold by-elections.

*Proposed by the Executive Council*

*Secoded by AGE CAR*

*Adopted unanimously*

By-elections

*The congress receives the following candidacies:*

Adam Semergian submits their candidacy for the position of Coordinating Officer.

*Elected unanimously*

## Interim Elections (Spontaneous Candidacies)

### **Executive Council**

- Internal Affairs Officers (2)
- Academic Affairs Officer
- Information Officer
- Communications Officer

### **Committees:**

- The Training Committee;
- The Mobilization Committee;
- The Research and Academic Affairs Committee;
- The Information Committee;
- The Journal Committee;
- The Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Committee.

*The congress receives the following candidacies:*

Noé Damoiseau submits their candidacy for the Mobilization Committee

*Elected unanimously*

Camille Parent-Montpetit submits their candidacy for the Training Committee

*Elected unanimously*

### **Incidental motion to modify the agenda:**

That we go back to point 1.5 Notices of Motion

*Proposed by AFESH*

*Seconded by SOGÉÉCOM*

### **Call for a vote**

FOR (indicative) : 6 (6)

AGAINST (indicative) : 10 (3)

ABSTENTIONS (indicative) : 5 (6)

*Defeated by a majority*



## 7. Varia

- AFESPED informs the congress that it is in the process of a referendum to recognize its association. A mobilization committee will be held on Monday March 4 at UQAM. It is asking for the support of the attending associations in its mobilization effort
- March 8th protest for International Women's Rights Day, March 15th protest against police brutality.
- March 11th to 15th, Concordia and McGill will be on strike. They need resources and help for GA praesidiums (in English).
- “Nous ne serons pas sages” campaign against transphobia. Protest on March 31st.
- CRUES feminist training camp March 16th and 17th. You can still sign up!  
Organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 12 at UQAM at 5:30 p.m.
- Logistical point: pick up after yourselves, and please help the executive clean both rooms.
- Next congress is the annual congress. Call for associations to find people for CRUES' Executive Council and Committees.
- Invitation to write to the Executive Council to outline accommodation requirements for future congresses.
- Reminder that a coalition of 68 community groups is encouraging a broader social movement and calling for a 5-day social strike at the end of April. Call for solidarity mandates and direct involvement.

## 8. Closing Procedures

Motion to close the congress at 3:10 p.m.

*Proposed by SOGÉÉCOM*

*Seconded by AESS-ULaval*

*Adopted unanimously*