

## **Report of the Rules and Procedures Committee on the proposed constitutional amendment regarding the composition of the COSHA**

The constitutional amendment proposed by the COSHA Convener regarding the change in composition of the COSHA was discussed and approved by the Rules and Procedures Committee in its third meeting which was held on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October, 2012.

The Policy/Procedure document which was submitted by the COSHA Convener was also discussed, and it was felt that while the first two points of the document were valid, points 3 and 4 were redundant, as they are clearly laid down in the Constitution of the Students' Gymkhana, and need not be present in the document.

“The current Constitution states the following regarding the body of COSHA under the clause 4.08(b):

*“ It shall consist of the President, the in charge Hostel Affairs, one SBRA Representative, Hall Presidents, and Mess Secretaries of every Hall of Residence and two Senators as Senate nominees. “*

The proposed change is as follows:

The members for COSHA are the President, Student Gymkhana (Chair), Convener, COSHA (Hostel-In-Charge), two senators as senate nominees, President + one mess secretary from each hall of residence, SBRA convener and one SBRA representative.

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The policy/procedure document as approved by the Senate in 2012-13/6<sup>th</sup> meeting states:

“The following points will act as norms to be followed for all the proceedings of the COSHA.

- The one mess secretary who is a member of the COSHA from each hall should be nominated by the HEC via the President of that respective hall, at the beginning of the term. Thus, there shall be two members representing each hall in the COSHA, and the members of the COSHA will enjoy voting rights.
  - The senate nominees for COSHA will be responsible for assisting with the COSHA paperwork, including writing the minutes of the COSHA meetings.
  - The attendance criteria for COSHA meeting will only be applicable for senate nominees, the Chair and the COSHA Convener. The attendance norms for the standing sub-committees of the Students' Senate, as laid down in the Gymkhana Constitution shall be followed: if the attendance for any member of a standing committee, who is a member of the Senate, is less than half of the meetings held rounded down to the nearest integer, the COSHA Convener should report this to the Convener, Students' Senate, who may call for either a written or a verbal explanation.
  - The quorum for a COSHA meeting shall be one half of the total number of members of COSHA.
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