

Provide More Notice of AGMs

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This Union Notes:

1. The Students' Union AGM is a critical opportunity for students to hold their elected representative to account
2. The AGM was first advertised by the Students' Union on November 11th
3. The date of the AGM is November 28th
4. To file a motion to be discussed at the AGM, a proposer and seconder were required, as well as the signatures of 10 students
5. The signatures of 10 students are not required in the constitution, nor have they been required before
6. Motions had to be filled by 5pm on November 17th to the Students' Union. No specific location for handing in motions was provided
7. The Students' Union website- culsu.co.uk- was down as of 10:30am on November 17th (confirmed by the downforeveryoneorjustforyou.com) at a time when those attempting to file motions would have urgently been seeking information

This Union Believes:

1. Students were not given adequate time to file motions for the AGM, especially considering the amount of signatures and research required
2. Information about where to file motions were not forthcoming

3. It is essential that students are given ample opportunities to hold their elected representative to account
4. Requiring a proposer, seconder and 10 signatures in just six days (including a weekend) is an obstacle to those who wish to file a motion

The Union Resolves:

1. To provide better information about how to file motions and greater notice of Students' Union AGMs in the future
2. To clarify why 10 student signatures were required to file a motion this year when this has not been necessary before and when such a requirement is not mentioned in the constitution