



UNION COUNCIL MOTION

M.1819 – 13 Motion to move the powers of ratifying Societies from Union Council to Societies Council

HUU Notes:

1. Currently Union Council as a whole is responsible for the ratification of new societies. This is in contrast to the ratification of new sports teams which are ratified by AU Council.
2. Society ratification happens either at Union Council, which extends the length of the meeting, or later in the month via email.

HUU Believes:

1. Currently, people who do not necessarily have any experience with societies are responsible for the ratification of new societies.
2. The decision to ratify a new society will likely only affect a handful of people, and because Union Council is the body that is meant to represent all students, it should dedicate it's time to issues that affect all/more students.
3. Additionally, society ratification significantly extends the length of the first Union Council meeting, meaning by the end worse decisions are being made.
4. Finally, ratification via email means that the quality of scrutiny of new societies is worse than when done by a board in person, as emails get lost or missed by the recipient, and discussion of the issues at hand is harder.

HUU Resolves:

1. Societies should be ratified by the Society's Council.
2. Ratification should happen by Society's Council and not via email.
3. The Decision should then be ratified by Activities Zone Committee.

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Rebecca Delmotte (Wilderness Medicine Soc President),

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