2423 Amendment to the bye-laws 4.22.3: Allow a delegated member of the postgraduate committee to attend the Student Officer Committee

Proposer: Matt Gallagher (chair of Postgraduate Committee) **Seconder**: Lewis Martin (Deputy Chair of Postgraduate Committee)

Council Notes

- 1. That Currently the Chair of the Postgraduate Committee can attend Student Officer Committee as an ex-officio member as part of bye-elaw 4.22.3
- 2. That in recent years the deputy chair has been able to chair in place of the chair when conflicting commitment arise

That the Student Officer Committee routinely decides on issues effecting Postgraduates

Council Believes

- 1. That PG representation at Student Officer Committee is exceptionally important
- 2. That due to the bye-laws it is not currently possible to send a deputy if the Chair is unable to attend.
- 3. That this caused large difficulties in the previous Student Officer Committee meeting.
- 4. That this undermines the spirit of democracy, and sets goes against the spirit of representation.

That, for the functionality of both committees, the person who attends the student officer committee should be able to be delegated out if the Chair is not able to make the meeting.

Council Resolves

- 1. To amend Bye Law 4.22.3 to say the following:
- 4.22.3.1 a member of the postgraduate committee shall Be an ex-officio member of the Student Officer Committee, which shall be decided at the first meeting of the committee of and communicated to the chair of the Student Officer Committee
- 2. 4.22.3.2 If that member is unable to attend a meeting they will be able to delegate another member of the postgraduate committee to represent them with approval from the Chair of PG Committee