

General Faculties Council & General Faculties Council Standing Committee E-Vote Protocol

In fulfilling the role and responsibilities assigned to General Faculties Council (GFC) and the GFC Standing Committees, GFC has made a provision for Electronic Voting where all the following apply.

- 1. Under exceptional circumstances, and with the consent of the Chair, GFC and GFC Standing Committees may use an electronic process for voting on motions outside of its regular meeting schedule.
- 2. The outcome of an electronic vote will:
 - 2.1. Require a simple majority of the voting members.
 - 2.2. Be reported at the next regular meeting of GFC or the respective GFC Standing Committee.
 - 2.3. A record of the e-vote and the results be contained in the minutes of the next meeting.
- 3. The Chair, in consultation with the GFC Secretary, may designate matters that may be decided by electronic vote of the members where all the following apply:
 - 3.1. A decision of a matter is required before the next regularly scheduled meeting of GFC or the GFC Standing Committee.
 - 3.2. Items in question, in the view of the Chair, are not controversial and do not require extensive background and explanation.
 - 3.3. It would be impractical, in the view of the Chair, to schedule a special meeting of the committee.
- 4. The procedures for approval of motions conducted electronically are as follows:
 - 4.1. The vote may be conducted via email, or other electronic method that authenticates voters' identities.
 - 4.2. The Recording Secretary will announce the results at the end of the voting period.

Approved by General Faculties Council: December 15, 2021