



# Operations in the General Assembly of National Union of University Students in Finland (SYL)

## § 1 General Assembly delegation

The General Assembly delegation represents the Student Union in SYL's General Assembly. The delegation is self-governing and independent. The delegation's duty is to represent AYY's members in all education fields and to represent the Student Union's highest advocacy skills.

## § 2 Election of the delegation

The Representative Council appoints the delegation for the General Assembly of the National Union of University Students in Finland. The Board prepares a basic proposal for the Representative Council after hearing the Representative Council groups. The delegation consists of the General Assembly representatives with the Student Union's voting right and their deputies. The board will organise an open call for the delegation.

The board independently appoints five General Assembly representatives with voting rights and five deputies. The Representative Council groups may alone or together comment on the remaining positions in accordance with the election results. The board must take into account the statements of the Representative Council groups and the delegation's expertise, influence and representativeness when preparing the basic proposal to the Representative Council about the rest of the representatives and their deputies. The basic proposal should be finished two weeks before the Representative Council meeting.

The Representative Council may either approve the board's basic proposal regarding the composition of the delegation, or they may return it to preparation.

35 **§ 3** **Division of duties in the delegation**

36 The delegation appoints the chair from among the delegation members. The chair  
37 plans and leads the delegation meetings and must have adequate time for  
38 leading the delegation and preparing matters both before and after the General  
39 Assembly.

40 The delegation appoints a secretary for itself. The delegation's secretary is in  
41 charge of the documentation and practical arrangements of the delegation. The  
42 secretary organises an interview room, writes a report and attends to  
43 communications during the General Assembly.

44 The delegation may appoint negotiators for itself. The negotiators are responsible  
45 for clarifying the situation of administrative elections and promoting the fulfilment  
46 of AYY's will. Negotiators participate in negotiations and report to the delegation  
47 about their situation. The delegation provides instructions to negotiators.

48 The delegation may include reporters. Reporters are responsible for observing  
49 issues in their own area and for providing precise and current information to the  
50 whole delegation. The delegation appoints reporters and determines their areas  
51 of responsibility.

52 **§ 4** **Decision-making in the delegation**

53 The delegation operates in the delegation meetings, which are chaired by the  
54 delegation's chairperson. In the meetings, issues are decided by a show of hands  
55 vote. In principle, representatives must operate in accordance with the common  
56 view of the delegation. Each representative must have the right to decline to vote  
57 in accordance with the delegation's view after an announcement in the  
58 delegation meeting.

59 The delegation may organise an e-mail meeting with a unanimous decision.

60 **§ 5** **Values and policies**

61 Delegation members are obliged to comply with AYY's values and all policy papers  
62 approved by the Representative Council, and to promote the Student Union's  
63 overall benefit. In questions of substance, the Student Union's policy papers are  
64 interpreted by policy persons appointed by the delegation from among its  
65 members.

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68 **§ 6 Election of persons**

69 The delegation decides on the support of candidates.

70 **§ 7 Nomination of candidates for SYL's administrative elections**

71 Candidates for SYL's administrative elections are appointed by the Student Union  
72 board after hearing the delegation. If the delegation is not appointed at that  
73 time, candidates are appointed after hearing the Representative Council groups.

74 **§ 8 Delegation's relationship with the Representative Council and board**

75 The Representative Council organises a preliminary debate for the General  
76 Assembly delegation, where it may provide more specific instructions and goals  
77 for the delegation, which the delegation is obliged to follow. The board is  
78 responsible for the plan of action draft of SYL as well as commenting on other  
79 issues which are discussed in the statement round of the Student Unions. The  
80 board hears the General Assembly delegation before its statement, if possible.

81 **§ 9 Entry into force**

82 This regulation enters into force immediately after the approval of the  
83 Representative Council. This regulation annuls the regulation on the rules of  
84 procedure of the General Assembly delegation approved in the Representative  
85 Council meeting 7/2012.

86 Approved in the Representative Council meeting 7/2018 (31.5.2018).