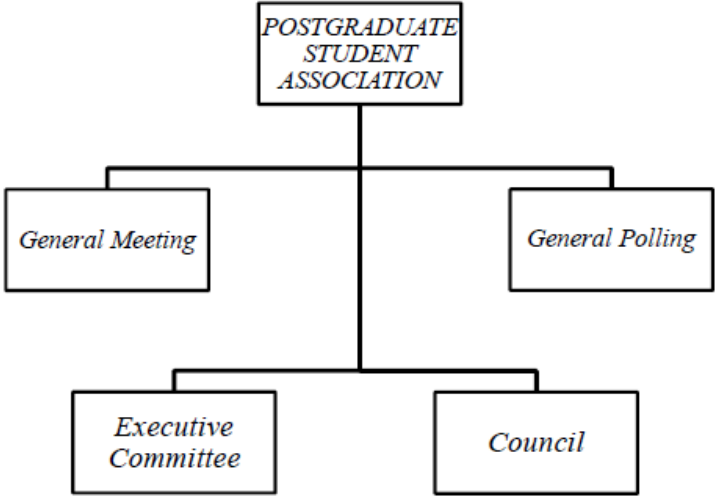
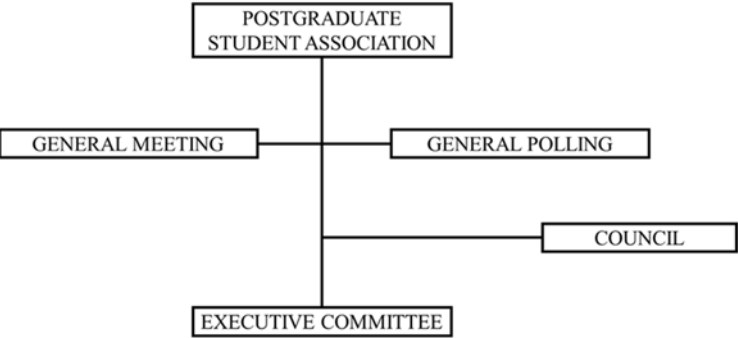


Context in current Constitution	Context in proposed Constitution	Remarks or Explanations
<p>PREAMBLE</p> <p>We, the members of Postgraduate Student Association (PGSA) of the University of Hong Kong, subscribing to the regulations and policies of the University of Hong Kong, establish this Constitution to govern the matters within our organization.</p>	<p>PREAMBLE</p> <p>Postgraduate Student Association of the University of Hong Kong (HKU PGSA) is a non-profit serving organization which obeys the laws of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), and the regulations and policies of the University of Hong Kong (HKU). HKU PGSA is a platform to cultivate bilingual talents with global view, interdisciplinary collaboration, cross-cultural understanding and international leadership.</p>	<p>Elaborate the baseline and the perspectives of the Association</p>
<p>I DEFINITIONS</p> <p>“Sub-organizations” shall mean all postgraduate clubs or associations formed within Departments, Schools, Centers and Faculties with the consent of the Association.</p>	<p>I DEFINITIONS</p> <p>“Affiliated Society” shall mean an Affiliated Society of PGSA (see section VII);</p> <p>“Faculty” shall mean a Faculty of the University of Hong Kong;</p> <p>“Postgraduate Student” shall mean a postgraduate student of the University of Hong Kong, as defined in the Statutes of the University;</p> <p>“Alumni” shall mean people who received a degree as a postgraduate student of the University of Hong Kong, as defined in the Statutes of the University;</p> <p>“Semester” shall mean the same as stated in the Statutes of the University;</p>	<p>Remove the old one and apply the new definition</p> <p>Add some frequently used words into this session: Faculty, postgraduate student, alumni, Semester, etc.</p>
<p>II GENERAL</p> <p>Article 2 – MISSIONS</p> <p>The missions of the Association shall be:</p> <p>a) To promote postgraduate students’ welfare,</p> <p>b) To serve all postgraduate students of the University,</p> <p>c) To promote the communication between postgraduate students and the University,</p>	<p>II GENERAL</p> <p>Article 2 – MISSIONS</p> <p>The missions of the Association shall be:</p> <p>a) To serve all postgraduate students of the University,</p> <p>b) To bridge between postgraduate students and the University,</p> <p>c) To unite all postgraduate students and alumni,</p> <p>d) To promote postgraduate students’ welfare.</p>	<p>Rephrased</p>

d) To represent the postgraduate student body both locally and internationally.		
<p>Article 3 – OFFICIAL LANGUAGES</p> <p>a) English and Chinese shall be the official languages of the Association;</p> <p>b) For Chinese, traditional Chinese shall be used in writing.</p> <p>c) Documents can only be written and explained by English.</p>	<p>Article 3 – OFFICIAL LANGUAGES</p> <p>a) English and Chinese shall be the official languages of the Association,</p> <p>b) In case of any conflicts between the Chinese version and the English version, the English version shall prevail.</p>	<p>English is the teaching language of HKU, so the English version should be the fundamental.</p>
<p>Article 4 – ASSOCIATION SESSION</p> <p>The Executive Committee Session shall commence on 1 July and terminate on 30 June of the next year.</p> <p>The Council Session shall commence on 1 June and terminate on 31 May of the next year.</p>	<p>Article 4 – ASSOCIATION SESSION</p> <p>Association Session shall start from 1 July to 30 June of the next year.</p>	<p>Generally, the session of the Association should be consistent with the common period of the Executive Committee. The definition of session of Council or ExCo is described in related Chapters.</p>

<p>Article 5 – STRUCTURE†</p>  <pre> graph TD PSA[POSTGRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION] --- GM[General Meeting] PSA --- GP[General Polling] PSA --- EC[Executive Committee] PSA --- C[Council] </pre>	<p>Article 5 – STRUCTURE†</p>  <pre> graph TD PSA[POSTGRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION] --- GM[GENERAL MEETING] PSA --- GP[GENERAL POLLING] PSA --- EC[EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE] PSA --- C[COUNCIL] </pre>	<p>To show the relations better. The council is to supervise the work of ExCo but does not have the power of execution.</p>
<p>III MEMBERSHIP Article 1 – MEMBERSHIP The membership of the Association shall include the following three classes:## # a) ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP All current postgraduate students of the University are admitted as PGSA Associate Members automatically. The Associate Membership of a student will be upgraded to Full Membership right after the student has submitted the application form and paid the admission fee; b) FULL MEMBERSHIP Full Membership is open for application by any current postgraduate student of the University. Full Membership will expire right after the student graduates from the University;</p>	<p>III MEMBERSHIP Article 1 – MEMBERSHIP The membership of the Association includes the following four categories: a) ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP i) All current postgraduate students at the University are automatically admitted as associate members of PGSA. ii) The Associate Membership of a student will be upgraded to Full Membership after the student has submitted the application form and paid the membership fee. b) FULL MEMBERSHIP i) All associate members can apply for the Full Membership.</p>	<p>Rephrase the definitions. Take the situation into account that people might have the second postgraduate degree at HKU.</p> <p>Add a new category: Honorary Membership</p>

<p>c) ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>Only Full Membership will be transferred to Alumni Membership automatically once the student finishes his/her study at the University of Hong Kong. This class of membership is also open for application by any past graduate of the University's postgraduate programmes.</p>	<p><i>ii</i>) Full Membership expires right after the student graduates from the University.</p> <p>c) ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP</p> <p><i>i</i>) Only Full Membership will be transferred to Alumni Membership automatically once the student finishes his/her study at the University of Hong Kong.</p> <p><i>ii</i>) Any alumnus of the University can apply for the Alumni Membership by paying membership fee if he/she was not a full member of PGSA.</p> <p><i>iii</i>) When an alumni member becomes a postgraduate student again, his/her Full Membership will resume until another graduation.</p> <p>d) HONORARY MEMBERSHIP</p> <p><i>i</i>) The Executive Committee can nominate (subject to that person's consent) a person who make significant contribution to PGSA as a candidate Honorary Member.</p> <p><i>ii</i>) The Executive Committee can nominate three candidate Honorary Members every session.</p> <p><i>iii</i>) The nominations shall be approved by the Council Meeting and the finalists shall be publicized on the Association's website</p> <p><i>iv</i>) The Honorary Membership begins immediately after the approval except the situation described below:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">If the nominee is a full member of PGSA, the Honorary Membership shall be valid when his/her Full Membership ends.</p>	
<p>Article 2 – MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATION</p> <p>a) Associate Membership: Being a currently registered postgraduate of the University.</p>	<p>Article 2 – MEMBERSHIP FEE</p> <p>a) the Membership Fee of PGSA is one hundred Hong Kong Dollars.</p>	<p>Integrate the old one to Article 1.</p> <p>Add description of Membership Fee.</p>

<p>b) Full Membership: Being currently registered postgraduate of the University, having applied for the Full Membership and paid the membership fee.</p> <p>c) Alumni Membership:</p> <p>i) Full Membership will be transferred to Alumni Membership automatically once the member finishes his/her study at the University.</p> <p>ii) Graduates of the University's postgraduate programmes who had paid the membership fee.</p> <p>iii) Membership fee will be reviewed upon request.</p>	<p>b) The Membership is valid for life once the payment of Membership Fee is confirmed.</p> <p>c) The Membership Fee is not refundable.</p>	
<p>Article 3 – PRIVILEGES</p> <p>The members of the Association shall have the privileges described as follow:</p> <p>a) Associate Members have the rights to vote in the Annual Election and General Meetings. Associate Members shall not have the rights to be elected into Executive Committee of PGSA;</p> <p>b) Full Members have the rights to vote and to be elected in the Annual Election and General Meetings. Full members shall enjoy a discount of registration fee for the activities organized by the PGSA. Full members are eligible for admission to sub-organizations of the PGSA. Admission to PGSA sub-organizations shall be considered by the corresponding suborganization's Executive Committee according to relevant regulations;</p> <p>c) Alumni Members can enjoy a discount of registration fee for the activities organized by the PGSA. Alumni members are eligible for admission to sub-organizations of the PGSA. Admission to PGSA sub-organizations shall be considered by the corresponding suborganization's Executive Committee according to relevant regulations.</p>	<p>Article 3 – PRIVILEGES</p> <p>The members of the Association shall have the privileges described as follow:</p> <p>a) Associate Members have the rights to attend the General Meetings. Associate Members have the rights to vote in the Election of Executive Committee and General Meetings. Associate Members shall not have the rights to be nominated into Executive Committee of PGSA.</p> <p>b) Full Members have the rights to attend the General Meetings. Full Members have the rights to vote and to be nominated in the Election of Executive Committee and General Meetings.</p> <p>c) Alumni Members have the rights to attend the General Meetings but no right to vote and to be nominated in the Election of Executive Committee and General Meetings.</p> <p>d) Honorary Members do not pay for membership fee. Honorary Members have the rights to attend the General Meetings, Council Meetings and Executive Committee Meetings but no right to vote. Honorary Members cannot be nominated in the Election of Executive Committee.</p> <p>e) Alumni Members and Honorary Members shall equally enjoy the same privileges given to Full Members in the</p>	<p>Rephrase the old ones and add Honorary Member related words.</p>

	activities excluding Meetings and Polling at the discretion of the Executive Committee.	
<p>IV. GENERAL MEETINGS AND GENERAL POLLING Article 2 – GENERAL MEETINGS</p> <p>a) General Meetings shall be held only with the approval of, or at the request of, either the Council or the Executive Committee, or in accordance with a requisition signed by no less than five percent of the Full Members of the Association. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be held within two weeks after the Annual Election of the Executive Committee;</p> <p>b) The President of the Association shall be the ex-officio Convener of General Meetings. In the absence of the President, the Chairman of the Council shall be the Convener of General Meetings;</p> <p>c) Minutes of General Meetings shall be taken by officers in the Secretariat of the Executive Committee;</p> <p>d) All members of the Association, Executive Committee members, and Council members have full speaking right and voting right toward affairs discussed in the General Meetings;</p> <p>e) A notice of General Meeting and the motion or motions to be voted on shall be posted three clear days beforehand.</p>	<p>IV. GENERAL MEETINGS AND GENERAL POLLING Article 2 – CONVENING OF GENERAL MEETINGS</p> <p>a) General Meetings shall be held only with the approval of, or at the request of, either the Council or the Executive Committee, or in accordance with a requisition signed by no less than five percent of the Full Members of the Association.</p> <p>b) The President of the Association shall be the ex-officio Convener of General Meetings. In the absence of the President, the Chairperson of the Council shall be the Convener and Chairperson of General Meetings.</p> <p>c) Minutes of General Meetings shall be taken by the General Secretary of the Executive Committee. In the absence of the General Secretary, another ExCo Member will be appointed to write the minutes.</p> <p>d) The agenda of General Meetings and motions to be voted shall be posted by written notice 7 days before the meeting.</p> <p>e) All members of the Association, Executive Committee members, and Council members have full speaking right toward affairs discussed in the General Meetings.</p>	<p>Rephrase the words. Change Chairman to Chairperson for consistency. Clarify the responsibility of Minutes writing. Increase the notification time from 3 to 7 days.</p>
	<p>Article 3 – QUORUM OF GENERAL MEETINGS</p> <p>a) No motions shall be approved at General Meetings unless a quorum of Members having a right to attend and vote at the meeting is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business and continues to be present until the conclusion of the meeting. The quorum of General Meeting shall be not less than 5% of Full Members or 50 Full Members, whichever is lower.</p> <p>b) If within thirty minutes from the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present at the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of Full Members, shall be dissolved; in any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week, at the same time and place, or to such other day and</p>	<p>New words to define the quorum of General Meetings. New words to define the voting in the General Meetings.</p>

	<p>at such other time and place as the Executive Committee may determine, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within thirty minutes from the time appointed for the meeting, the Members present shall be a quorum.</p> <p>Article 4 – METHODS OF VOTING IN THE GENERAL MEETINGS</p> <p>a) At any general meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded: (i) by the chairperson; or (ii) by at least 5 Members having a right to attend and vote at the meeting present in person.</p> <p>b) The motion will be approved by the General Meeting by simple majority unless otherwise provided.</p> <p>c) Every Associate Member and Full Member shall have one vote.</p> <p>d) In the case of an equality of votes, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the chairperson of the General Meeting shall be entitled to a second or casting vote.</p>	
<p>Article 3 – GENERAL POLLINGS</p> <p>a) General Polling shall only be conducted by the Council with the approval of, or at the request of, either the Council or the Executive Committee, or in accordance with a requisition signed by no less than five percent of the Full Members of the Association.</p> <p>b) Voting shall take place at polling stations which shall open for no less than eight hours.</p> <p>c) A notice of all General Polling and the motion or motions to be voted on shall be posted three clear days beforehand.</p>	<p>Article 5 – GENERAL POLLINGS</p> <p>a) General Polling shall only be conducted by the Council with the approval of, or at the request of, either the Council or the Executive Committee, or in accordance with a requisition signed by no less than five percent of the Full Members of the Association.</p> <p>b) Voting shall take place at polling stations which shall open for no less than eight hours.</p> <p>c) A notice of all General Polling and the motion or motions to be voted on shall be posted seven clear days beforehand.</p>	<p>Change the sequence to Article 5.</p> <p>Notification time is increased from 3 to 7 days.</p>

Article 4 – PUBLICITY The minutes of all General Meetings and the results of all General Polling shall be publicized to all members of the Association.	Article 6 – PUBLICITY The minutes of General Meetings and results of General Pollings shall be publicized to all members of the Association within one month from the end date.	Add a time limitation of one month.
V. COUNCIL Article 1 – PURPOSE The purpose of the Council is to supervise the Association’s Executive Committee in its executive work.	V. COUNCIL Article 1 – PURPOSE The purpose of the Council is to supervise the work of Association’s Executive Committee and ensure the proper functioning of Association’s Executive Committee.	More than supervision. Need to help ExCo for better work.
Article 2 – MISSION The mission of the Council shall be: a) To oversee the Association’s General Polling and the transition of Executive Committee officers b) To oversee the financial operation of the Association’s Executive Committee, c) To oversee the preservation and management of the Association’s property and the Executive Committee Archives, d) To serve as a recognized channel of communication between the Association’s members, the Association’s Executive Committee, and the University.	Article 2 – MISSION The mission of the Council shall be: a) To oversee the the Association’s General Polling, election and the transition of Executive Committee, b) To oversee the financial operation of the Association’s Executive Committee, c) To oversee the preservation and management of the Association’s property and the Executive Committee Archives, d) To remind the Executive Committee adhering to the constitution and regulations of the Association, e) To serve as a recognized channel of mediation among the Association’s members, the Association’s Executive Committee, the Affiliated Societies and the University.	Add the function of reminding the ExCo adhering to the constitution and regulations. Add the Affiliated Society in e).
Article 3 – AUTHORITY The Council shall have the authority only second to the Association’s General Polling and General Meeting, and <u>parallel to the authority of the Association’s Executive Committee.</u>	Article 3 – AUTHORITY The Council shall have the authority only second to the Association’s General Meeting and General Polling <u>but not directly carry out executive works.</u>	Clarify the authority. Prevent from two executive groups.
Article 4 – COMPOSITION OF COUNCILORS Members of the Council are composed of Active Councilors and Associate Councilors. a) The Active Councilors of the Council shall be: i) The Chairman of the Council	Article 4 – COMPOSITION OF COUNCILORS Members of the Council are composed of Active Councilors and Associate Councilors. a) The Active Councilors of the Council shall be: i) The Chairperson of the Council (1 seat)	Swap two elected positions to all the elected postgraduate student representatives in all Faculties. Better

<p>ii) The Honorary Secretary of the Council iii) The Honorary Treasurer of the Council iv) Two Popularly Elected Postgraduate Representatives of the University b) The Associate Councilors of the Council shall be the current session of Executive Committee. c) All Council Members have the right to request a Council Meeting according to relevant provisions (detailed see Section V, Article 2).</p>	<p>ii) The Honorary Secretary of the Council (1 seat) iii) The Honorary Treasurer of the Council (1 seat) iv) Postgraduate Representatives of the Board of the Faculties. b) The Associate Councilors of the Council shall be the current session of Executive Committee (excluding acting members). c) All Council Members have the right to request a Council Meeting.</p>	<p>inclusiveness and make life easier.</p>
<p>Article 5 – ACTIVE COUNCILORS Active Councilors shall have the full speaking and voting rights towards every business of the Council. a) CHAIRMAN The Chairman of the Council shall be elected in the First Council Meeting of the new term by the current Active Councilors and Associate Councilors. The term of the Chairman for each session of the Council is one year. Only Current Associate Councilors, except President of the Executive Committee, are eligible to apply for the Chairman of the Council. The Chairman’s candidate should maintain postgraduate student status for at least 13 months during the session of the Council. b) HONORARY SECRETARY The Honorary Secretary of the Council shall be elected in the First Council Meeting of the new term by the current Active Councilors and Associate Councilors. The term of the Honorary Secretary for each session of the Council is one year. Only Current Associate Councilors are eligible to apply for the Honorary Secretary of the Association’s Council. The Honorary Secretary’s candidate should maintain postgraduate student status for at least 13 months during the session of the Association’s Council. c) HONORARY TREASURER The Honorary Treasurer of the Council shall be elected in the First Council Meeting of the new term by the current Active</p>	<p>Article 5 – ACTIVE COUNCILORS a) CHAIRPERSON The Chairperson of the Council shall be elected from the current Associate Councilors except the President of Executive Committee. The Chairperson of the Council shall not hold a concurrent position in the Executive Committee. The Chairperson of the Council shall lead the functioning of the Council. The Chairperson of the Council have full speaking right in the council meetings and has one vote. b) HONORARY SECRETARY The Honorary Secretary of the Council shall be elected from the current Associate Councilors. The Honorary Secretary of the Council shall not hold a concurrent position in the Executive Committee. The Honorary Secretary of the Council have full speaking right in the council meetings and has one vote. c) HONORARY TREASURER The Honorary Treasurer of the Council shall be elected from the current Associate Councilors. The Honorary Treasurer of the Council shall not hold a concurrent position in the Executive Committee. The Honorary Treasurer of the Council have full speaking right in the council meetings and has one vote.</p>	<p>Rephrase the sentences. Delete the unclear description of “first council meeting”. Stipulate the power of Postgraduate Representatives of the Board of the Faculties.</p>

<p>Councilors and Associate Councilors. The term of the Honorary Treasurer for each session of the Council is one year. Only Current Associate Councilors are eligible to apply for the Honorary Treasurer of the Council. The Honorary Treasurer's candidate should maintain postgraduate student status for at least 13 months during the session of the Council.</p> <p>d) TWO POPULARLY ELECTED POSTGRADUATE REPRESENTATIVES</p> <p>Two popularly postgraduate representatives shall be elected as Active Councilors of the Council through General Polling. Their term for each Session of the Council is one year. All Full Membership members of the Association, except Current Active Councilors, are eligible to apply for the two Popularly Elected Postgraduate Representatives of the Council. The candidate should maintain postgraduate student status for at least 13 months during the session of the Council.</p>	<p>d) POSTGRADUATE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BOARD OF THE FACULTIES</p> <p>Every postgraduate representative of the board of all the faculties of the University is an Active Councilor of the Council with full speaking right in the council meetings. All the representatives are considered as ten votes only when at least nine representatives attend the council meeting and they make an agreement on the business with more than two thirds of the total attendees.</p> <p>In the case of that a person acts more than one role in the Council, the person must choose one of them and declare before the Council meeting starts.</p>	
<p>Article 6 – ASSOCIATE COUNCILORS</p> <p>a) Associate Councilors do not have voting right towards every business of the Council, except business pertaining to the amendment of the Constitution.</p>	<p>Article 6 – ASSOCIATE COUNCILORS</p> <p>a) Associate Councilors have voting right towards only specific business of the Council provided in the Constitution, such as business pertaining to <i>i)</i> the amendment of the Constitution and regulations, <i>ii)</i> the election of the Chairperson, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer of the Council, and <i>iii)</i> the votes of non-confidence to the Councilors.</p> <p>b) Each Associate Councilor has one vote in the meeting of mentioned in Article 6 a).</p>	<p>Clarify the power of Associate Councilors.</p>
	<p>Article 7 – ELECTION</p> <p>a) All the Associate Councilors can apply for the positions in Council except mentioned in Article 5 a).</p> <p>b) The candidates should maintain postgraduate student status for at least 13 months during the session of the Council.</p>	<p>New Article to elaborate the election of Council.</p>

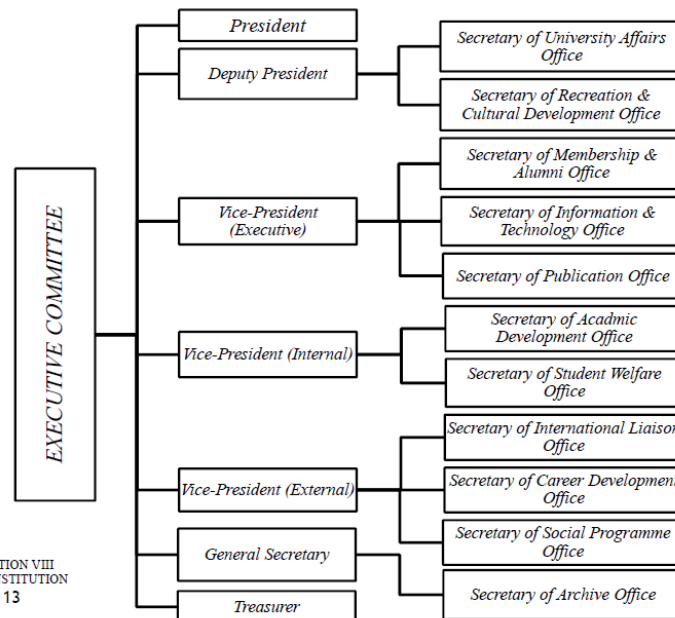
	<p>c) The current Active Councilors shall convene the Council meeting on the first Monday of May to elect the Active Councilors of next session.</p> <p>d) The current Active Councilors shall operate the election but have no vote. The candidates shall be elected by simple majority.</p> <p>e) The results of the election of Council shall be publicized with the minutes of the Council meeting.</p> <p>f) The Council Session shall commence on the first Tuesday of May and terminate on the first Monday of May of the next year.</p>	
<p>Article 7 – MEETING</p> <p>a) The First Council Meeting shall be held in the week prior to the notification week of the Association’s Annual Election. The Council shall hold at least two Council Meetings in each Session of the Association;</p> <p>b) The Council can convene General Meetings of the Association according to relevant provisions (detailed see Section V, Article 2) at any time in each Session of the Association;</p> <p>c) The Chairman shall take the Chair of all Council Meetings. In the absence of the Chairman, the Honorary Secretary shall convene the Meeting; in the absence of both Chairman and Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer shall convene the Meeting;</p> <p>d) The Chairman shall take the Chair of all General Meetings of the Association. In the absence of the Chairman, the President of the Association shall convene the Meeting;</p> <p>e) The Honorary Secretary should take minutes of all Council Meetings. All Council Meeting Minutes shall be signed by the Council Chairman and be open to all members of the Association;</p>	<p>Article 8 – MEETING</p> <p>a) The Council shall hold at least two Council meetings in each session.</p> <p>b) The Chairperson shall take the Chair of all Council Meetings. In the absence of the Chairperson the Honorary Secretary shall convene the Council Meeting; in the absence of both Chairperson and Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer shall convene the Council Meeting.</p> <p>c) The Honorary Secretary shall take minutes of all Council Meetings. All Council Meeting Minutes shall be signed by the Council Chairperson and be open to all members of the Association.</p> <p>d) Council Meetings shall be convened by the Chairperson, or at the request of the President of the Association, or at the request of any Council Member seconded by two other Council Members.</p> <p>e) A notice of Council Meeting and the agenda shall be sent to all Council Members at least seven days ahead.</p>	<p>Rephrase the words. Increase the notification period from 3 to 7 days.</p>

<p>f) Council Meetings shall be convened by the Council Chairman, or at the request of the President of the Association, or at the request of any Council Member seconded by two Council Members;</p> <p>g) A notice of Council Meeting and the agenda shall be sent to all Council Members at least three clear days ahead.</p>		
<p>Article 8 – BUSINESS</p> <p>a) The Council shall remind the Executive Committee to prepare transition issues in early May.</p> <p>b) The Council shall oversee and facilitate the transition of Executive Committee Officers. The following are the major handover issues:</p> <p>i) To update the Association’s Office-bears’ information and backup the archives at the Licensing Office, Hong Kong Police Force,</p> <p>ii) To update the Association’s Bank Account Holders’ information at the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HSBC),</p> <p>iii) To update the Association’s Office-bears’ information and backup the archives at the Registry of the University,</p> <p>iv) To update the Association’s Office-bears’ information at the University’s Student Affairs Office and the Graduate School,</p> <p>v) To ensure the Association’s Official Chop and Financial Chop are passed down to the new Session,</p> <p>vi) To ensure every key of the Association’s Offices are passed down to the new Session,</p> <p>vii) To ensure all the properties and documents reported in the Executive Committee’s Annual Report are passed down to the new Session.</p> <p>In case that the Council detected severe problems during the transition, such as loss of the important properties of the Association, the Council shall call for General Meeting to discuss relevant issues.</p>	<p>Article 9 – BUSINESS</p> <p>a) The Council shall remind the Executive Committee to prepare transition issues in early May.</p> <p>b) The Council shall oversee and facilitate the transition of Executive Committee sessions. The following are the major handover issues:</p> <p>i) To update the information at the Police Licensing Office, Hong Kong Police Force,</p> <p>ii) To update the cardholders’ information of the public account of PGSA at the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HSBC),</p> <p>iii) To update the Association’s Office-bearers’ information to Senior Management Team and at the Registry of the University,</p> <p>iv) To update the Association’s Office-bearers’ information at the Co-Curricular Support Office of Registry (CCSO), Centre of Development and Resources for Students (CEDARS), Centre for Sports and Exercise (CSE), and the Graduate School (GS) of the University,</p> <p>v) To ensure the Association’s Official Chop and Financial Chop are passed down to the new Session,</p> <p>vi) To ensure all keys of the Association’s Offices are passed down to the new Session,</p> <p>vii) To ensure all the properties, accounts of social media, passwords of PGSA accounts and documents are passed down to the new Session.</p> <p>In case that the Council detect severe problems during the transition, such as loss of the important properties of the</p>	<p>Rephrase the words. Delete the unclear definitions “ABEIE”, “MBEIE”. Update with the words “the CCSO of Registry”.</p>

<p>c) The Council shall receive and review the approved Annual Budget Estimates of the Income and Expenditure by the Executive Committee (ABEIE) at the beginning of each Association's Session. In case that the Executive Committee has not submitted the ABEIE to the Council within five weeks after the Annual General Meeting, the Council shall send warning letters to the Executive Committee and inform all members of the Association.</p> <p>d) The Council shall request and review the Mid-term Budget Estimates of the Income and Expenditure by the Executive Committee (MBEIE) six months after the Annual General Meeting. In case that the Executive Committee has not submitted the MBEIE to the Council within four weeks after receipt of the Council's request of MBEIE to the Executive Committee, the Council shall send warning letters to the Executive Committee and inform all members of the Association.</p> <p>e) The Council shall receive and review the Annual Report prepared by the Executive Committee at the First Council Meeting according to the relevant provisions (detailed see Section V, Article 7). The Council shall adopt the Annual Report in the Annual General Meeting.</p>	<p>Association, the Council shall call for General Meeting to discuss relevant issues.</p> <p>c) The Council shall request and review the Annual Plan and Budget Estimates in the first week of August.</p> <p>d) The Council shall request and review the Mid-term Report in the first week of January. In case that the Executive Committee has not submitted the Mid-term Report to the Council within four weeks after receipt of the Council's request to the Executive Committee, the Council shall send warning letters to the Executive Committee and inform all Full Members of the Association.</p> <p>e) The Council shall receive and review the Annual Report prepared by the Executive Committee on the Council meeting before Council election. The Annual Report shall be adopted in the Annual General Meeting if no objection is raised.</p> <p>f) The Council shall facilitate the Executive Committee to follow the Constitution and regulations of the Association. If a written report was received about misconducts the Council shall convene a Council meeting for discussion and shall send warning letters to the Executive Committee if the misconduct is affirmed.</p> <p>g) Any other businesses that fit the Mission of the Council in Article 2.</p>	
	<p>Article 10 – VACANCY</p> <p>a) The Council can appoint a Full Member as the Honorary Secretary if no Honorary Secretary is elected.</p> <p>b) The Council can appoint a Full Member as the Honorary Treasurer if no Honorary Treasurer is elected.</p> <p>c) In the case that no one applies for the Chairperson, or no eligible candidates to run for the position, the current Executive Committee or with a requisition signed by no less than five percent of the Full Members of the Association can appoint a Full Member of the Association to be the Chairperson with the acknowledgement of the University.</p>	<p>New Article.</p>

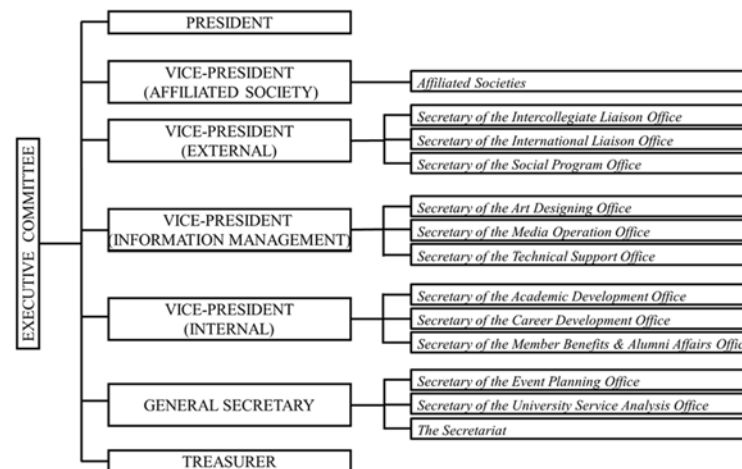
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<p>Article 2 – STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP</p>	<p>Article 3 – Structure The Executive Committee shall consist of the following officers: a) a President b) a Vice-President (Affiliated Societies) c) a Vice-President (External) d) a Vice-President (Information Management) e) a Vice-President (Internal) f) a General Secretary g) a Treasurer h) a Secretary of the Intercollegiate Liaison Office i) a Secretary of the International Liaison Office j) a Secretary of the Social Program Office k) a Secretary of the Art Designing Office l) a Secretary of the Media Operation Office m) a Secretary of the Technical Support Office n) a Secretary of the Academic Development Office</p>	<p>Define the positions by words. Re-design the Positions</p>

The structure and membership of the Executive Committee of Postgraduate Student Association of The University of Hong Kong. The members of the Executive Committee are referred to as Executive Committee Members, Executive Members, or Executives.



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- r) a Secretary of the University Service Analysis Office



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<p>Article 7 – RESIGNATION</p> <p>An Executive Committee member (except the President) may, at any time, resign from the Executive Committee by giving written notice of resignation at least one month earlier to the Executive Committee. An acting member shall then be appointed by the Committee within two weeks. A notice of resignation shall be signed by the Executive Committee concerned. For the President of the Association, a written notice should be submitted at least two months earlier to the Executive Committee and all PGSA members, university, police station and the bank shall be informed about the Present's resignation after it takes effect.</p>	<p>Article 7 – RESIGNATION</p> <p>a) An Executive Committee member (except the President) may, at any time, resign from the Executive Committee by giving written notice of resignation at least one month earlier to the Executive Committee. The resignation validates with the approval from the ExCo meeting.</p> <p>b) For the President of the Association, a written notice should be submitted at least two months earlier to the Executive Committee and be publicized to all members of the Association. The University, police station and the bank shall be informed about the President's resignation after it takes effect.</p>	<p>Rephrase some words.</p>
VII. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVES	<p>Article 9 – ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</p> <p>a) The Annual Election of the Executive Committee shall consist of all the positions in Article 3.</p>	<p>Integrate into Chapter VI.</p>

	<p>b) <u>An Election Commission shall be appointed by the Council to take charge of the election process.</u> The members of the Election Commission should comprise at least one Active Councilor, at least one Full Member that does not serve in the current Executive Committee and at least one non-Full Member. <u>The name list of the Election Commission should be confirmed within two weeks of the beginning of the session of Council.</u> <u>The members of Election Committee shall not vote and shall not be voted in the Annual Election of the Executive Committee.</u></p> <p>c) Once the members of Election Commission are confirmed, <u>within seven days, the Council shall call for nomination</u> of next session of Executive Committee. The nomination period shall be seven days.</p> <p>d) The nominees are eligible for the Annual Election of the Executive Committee if the following are satisfied:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) All nominees shall be Full Members of the Association and shall not concurrently serve as proposers or seconders of any nominee; ii) Nominations shall be made on the forms provided for the purpose, which at a minimum should contain the following information: the name of the candidate, the signatures of a proposer and a seconder, the signature of the candidate signifying his consent; iii) Each proposer shall nominate no more than 3 nominees; iv) The candidates for the election of the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, and General Secretary: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Each of them shall be proposed by one current Executive Committee member and seconded by one Full Member; 2. Each of them must be registered for a postgraduate degree in the University at the moment of nomination; 3. Each of them must be a registered full-time postgraduate student at the University during the target session; 	<p>Underline new sentences.</p>
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	<p>v) In addition to iv), the candidates for the election of other Executive positions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Each of them shall be proposed by one Full Member and seconded by another Full Member 2. Each of them must be a registered full-time student at the University for <u>at least ten months</u> during his term of service. <p>e) The qualified nominees for the election and the Election Day shall be notified to all the members. The Election Day shall start at least one week after the notification of qualified nominees.</p> <p>f) <u>The Election Day for the Annual Election of Executive Committee shall be held no later than mid-June of every year. The Election Day shall last three working days and at least two hours per day.</u></p> <p>g) Election shall be conducted on the Election Day by polling. Voting shall be by the form of anonymous ballot. Polling stations shall be set up at both main campus and medical campus.</p> <p>h) Each Associate/Full Member shall be entitled to one vote per position on the ballot. Votes will not be counted if there is more than one vote per position.</p> <p>i) If only one candidate is eligible for the position, electors shall vote for or against the candidate or abstain.</p> <p>j) The results of the election shall be publicized on the last day of the election by Council on behalf of the Election Commission. The results are deemed valid after a public notice period of seventy two hours.</p> <p>k) The candidate shall be declared elected provided that</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) He/she has secured a minimum of 60 votes; ii) The number of votes for him/her is greater than the number of votes against him/her; iii) There is no other candidate competing for the same position who gets the greater number of votes. 	
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	<p>iv) <u>In the case that the candidates competing for the same position get the same number of votes for him/her, the candidates who gets less votes against him/her wins.</u></p> <p>l) In the event of a tie occurring (the competing candidates gain the same number of votes for and against him/her), the Election Commission shall order a re-election for that particular post within one week after the Election Day.</p> <p>m) <u>In the event of any contravention of the election procedure, the Election Commission, with the approval of the Council, shall have the power to order a re-election within one week after the Election Day.</u></p> <p>n) When the results are deemed valid, the notice of Annual General Meeting shall be publicized within one week and the Annual General Meeting shall be convened seven days after the notice.</p> <p>o) The Chairperson of the Council shall be the ex-officio Convener and Chairperson of the Annual General Meeting. In the absence of the Chairperson, the President shall be the Convener and Chairperson of the Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>p) <u>In the Annual General Meeting, the Executive Committee shall publicize the Annual Report and Financial Report to the members. The results of the Annual Election of Executive Committee shall be announced by the Council.</u></p> <p>q) <u>The Annual General Meeting can be equivalent to a General Meeting if the conditions are satisfied as forementioned in the section GENERAL MEETING.</u></p> <p>r) <u>The Executive Committee Session shall commence on 1 July and terminate on 30 June of the next year if no re-election is ordered.</u></p> <p>s) <u>In the case that the date when the election results are deemed valid is later than 30 June, the Executive Committee session shall commence on the date when the election results are deemed valid and terminate on 30 June of the next year.</u></p>	
	Article 10 – VACANCY	New Article

	<p>a) An acting member can be appointed by the Executive Committee for the vacancies in the Executive Committee after the Annual Election.</p> <p>b) In the event of a vacancy occurring in the Executive Committee, the Committee shall have the power to co-opt a person as they deem fit to fill the position through the Mid-term Recruitment. The Mid-term Recruitment shall be conducted at the end of the first Semester and finished before the beginning of the second Semester of the academic year.</p> <p>c) In the case that no one applies for the President, or no eligible candidates to run for the position or the President resigns, the current Council or with a requisition signed by no less than fifty Full Members of the Association can appoint a Full Member of the Association to be the President and inform the University.</p>	
	VII. AFFILIATED SOCIETY	New Chapter
	VIII. FINANCE	New Chapter
<p>VIII. CONSTITUTION Article 1 – AMENDMENT The Constitution shall not be amended except by a motion carried by at least 2/3 Executive Committee members and 3/5 Council members at the Annual General Meeting of the Association. Members shall be notified of the meeting at least seven clear days in advance.</p>	<p>IX. CONSTITUTION Article 1 – AMENDMENT The Constitution shall not be amended except that two thirds of Executive Committee members or three fifth of Council members or fifteen percent of Full members send a group-signed letter to the Executive Committee to initiate the motion. Once the motion initiates, the Executive Committee shall make an announcement to all members. Members shall be notified of the revised draft at least 1 month in advance. The draft Constitution shall only be approved if two thirds of attendees vote positive at General Meetings. Otherwise, the draft and motion shall be withdrawn by the Council.</p>	<p>Add more details. Amendment will be approved through GM but not AGM.</p>
	X. OTHER BUSINESSES	Be more cautious on making statements

	<p>Article 1 – STATEMENT</p> <p>The Association shall not make statements on political elections. The Association shall not make statements on social issues unless an approval from the General Meetings or General Pollings.</p>	
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