

Motions for the Annual General Meeting of Convocation

07 December 2019

Motion 1

Pre-amble

We have learnt from the past term of office of Convocation that there is generally poor attendance and participation at AGM except for an elective AGM where everyone suddenly develop an interest of getting elected whilst having failed to participate in the life of the structure. The Constitution currently is silent on this matter and we feel that this is self-destructive as it is an impediment on the continuity of the structure. We would like to see a continuous consistent involvement of Convocation, particularly the Alumni as the biggest constituency of Convocation. It is in the strength of the above that we would like to submit the following

Eligibility for election (Convocation Constitution)

1. No University employee or student may be elected into the CONVEXCO.
2. For an MUT Alumni to be elected into the CONVEXCO, s/he must have participated for a full term as a member, at least two AGM excluding the electing AGM provided an apology is made for the one unattended AGM.

Motion 2

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The Convocation as a structure cannot be perpetually dependent on the Institution for its functionality. This is is structure that must give back to the Institution and assist in stabilizing and developing it. We believe that an Annual Convocation levy on employed graduates. This levy will assist the Convocation in terms of executing its Program of Action, e.g the development of an Alumni Bursary for B-Tech students, the implementation of a Graduate Placement program and other programs which may be adopted by Convocation.

1. A contribution of a R 200 minimum annual levy towards the MUT Convocation.

Motion 3

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The structure of the Convocation Executive as stipulated by the constitution is fixed, it does not provide a space for co-option. This may be limiting to the capacity of the CONVEXCO as certain expertise which may be required consistently may rest outside of this structure and thus cripple the operation and efficiency of it. In light of this, we propose the following:

1. The CONVEXCO may co-opt amongst the membership of the Convocation including staff and students to a maximum of three people.
2. Co-option of such members must be on a justified need basis.
3. Co-opted members may not be elected by CONVEXCO into existing positions on the structure.