

# Rationale for renewed NUS Astronomical Society Executive Committee structure

What this structure serves to achieve for the NUS Astronomical Society and the NUS Astronomical Society Executive Committee

1. Sets clear priorities for the society
2. Enables structural focus on sessions and outreach
3. Provides clearer lines of communication by removing single line of communication between president and other members of the executive committee

## Communication

Vice-Presidents to be aware of affairs in their sector

- Documentation to include clear deliverables as decided by the Project Directors/Internal Directors
- Vice-Presidents to relate deliverables directly to executive committee members in their sector
- This serves to mitigate multiple channels of information being related to the executive committee members

## Understanding the roles

1. President
  - Spearhead goals and direction of the society
    - Ensures all planning and activities match the goals NUSAS has for the event/session and the society
  - Gather the opinions of the executive committee to make a decision as an executive committee and lead the executive committee through the decision
  - Leads weekly meetings
  - Communication with various parties within NUS
  - Coordinates the Treasurers and Secretaries with the Vice-Presidents
2. Vice-Presidents
  - Coordinate within their sector to plan for events/sessions
  - Initiate discussion and planning in their sectors
  - Serve as representatives of their sector in discussions with the President, Treasurers and Secretaries
3. Rest of the Executive Committee
  - Lead their domain

- Initiates deliverables for their role
- Propose ideas for improvements or changes relating to their domain if any

## FAQ

1. This structure is NOT meant to be a hierarchy
  - Everyone's opinion in executive committee meetings and discussions should not be weighed against their position
2. This structure does not mean only the President and 2 Vice-Presidents will make all decisions
  - Executive Committee meetings/discussions will still be held to make decisions as an executive committee
3. This structure is not a COVID measure
  - The structure is designed for the best interests of both the NUS Astronomical Society and the NUS Astronomical Society Executive Committee members for the foreseeable future
4. This structure does not restrict communication between Executive Committee members or between NUSAS members and members of the executive committee
  - The structure serves to ensure all communication is well-documented and any follow up on communications is not solely borne by the President