



Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean

Revised at 1:30pm

Change to membership of the Parliamentary Bureau

The Presiding Officer wishes to inform members that Mike Rumbles has replaced Willie Rennie as a member of the Parliamentary Bureau.

Selection of the Parliament's Nominee for First Minister

As announced by the Presiding Officer, the selection of the Parliament's nominee for First Minister will take place at 2.00pm today.

The nomination period will open at 9.30am and close at 1.30pm. Nominations must be submitted on official nomination forms. Nomination forms will be available from the Business Team office in T1.03 (top of the Garden Lobby steps).

The Presiding Officer will read out each candidate's name in alphabetical order. Candidates will be allocated five minutes to speak in support of their candidacy which will be followed by the voting process.

Members will be given the opportunity to vote "yes" for one candidate, using the electronic voting system. Members may vote only once. Only "yes" votes will be counted.

After votes have been cast in support of candidates, Members who have not cast a "yes" vote for a candidate will then have an opportunity to vote to abstain. If any Member records a vote more than once, all of that Member's votes will be treated as spoiled.

A candidate will be selected if a simple majority is obtained. If no majority is obtained, the candidate with the smallest number of votes will be eliminated and further rounds of voting will be held until a valid result is achieved.

Where there is only one candidate, members may vote "yes", "no" or "abstain", using the electronic voting system. The candidate is selected if he or she obtains a simple majority in their favour.

Members are reminded that the electronic voting system will be used in this process and security passes will therefore be required.

After a candidate is selected, each party leader will be invited to speak for five minutes each, taken in party size (largest party first) with the successful candidate being called to speak last.

MSP Group Photograph

The MSP photograph will take place following the selection of the Parliament's nomination as First Minister.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Selection of the Parliament's nominee for First Minister

followed by Business Motions

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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2:00 pm Selection of the Parliament's nominee for First Minister

followed by Business Motions

S5M-00061 Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Thursday 19 May 2016

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm First Minister's Motion to appoint Scottish Ministers

followed by First Minister's Motion to appoint Junior Scottish Ministers

followed by Election of Members to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

Wednesday 25 May 2016

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Thursday 26 May 2016

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

S5M-00063 Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees that, under Rule 3.6.2, the number of appointed Members of the Parliamentary Corporation for this session shall be five.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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