H-Net Council Host Sub-Committee

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At our last Council meeting, we voted to continue with the same Host Subcommittee as we've had all year (Robert, Leign Ann, Lorna, Monika, Niels, and myself). We agreed to re-evaluate this group at the Q1 meeting in 2023. Robert has agreed to continue to serve as the subcommittee's chair until a host agreement is signed (and as long as Council wishes him to serve in this position).

Since our last Council meeting, Evan has been elected incoming President-Elect. In light of that, I am elevating him to a full voting member of that committee. He has already been briefed on matters and sat in on some important meetings. My reading of the by-laws says that I can do this on my own, as long as I inform Council. This is my informing you.

However, if any current or incoming member of Council wishes for us to have a proper vote on Commons, I will call such a vote. If you wish to request a vote, please say so before the end of the calendar year. Note that elevating Evan has the support of both the incoming President (Robert) and Subcommittee Chair (Lorna).

Finally, my decision to believe that I can do this on my own comes from the by-laws which say:

Section 5.01. Committees. In addition to the standing committees enumerated in this Article, the Executive Council may create and define the duties and powers of such additional standing or ad-hoc committees as it requires. The Executive Council may delegate any of its powers to committees, subject to the Executive Council's power to review and revise committee decisions. Unless otherwise provided in these Bylaws or determined by the Executive Council, the President may appoint the members and designate the chairperson of each committee. The responsibilities and membership of all committees shall be announced to the membership, and all committees shall keep written records of their work and shall regularly report their progress to the Executive Council.

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