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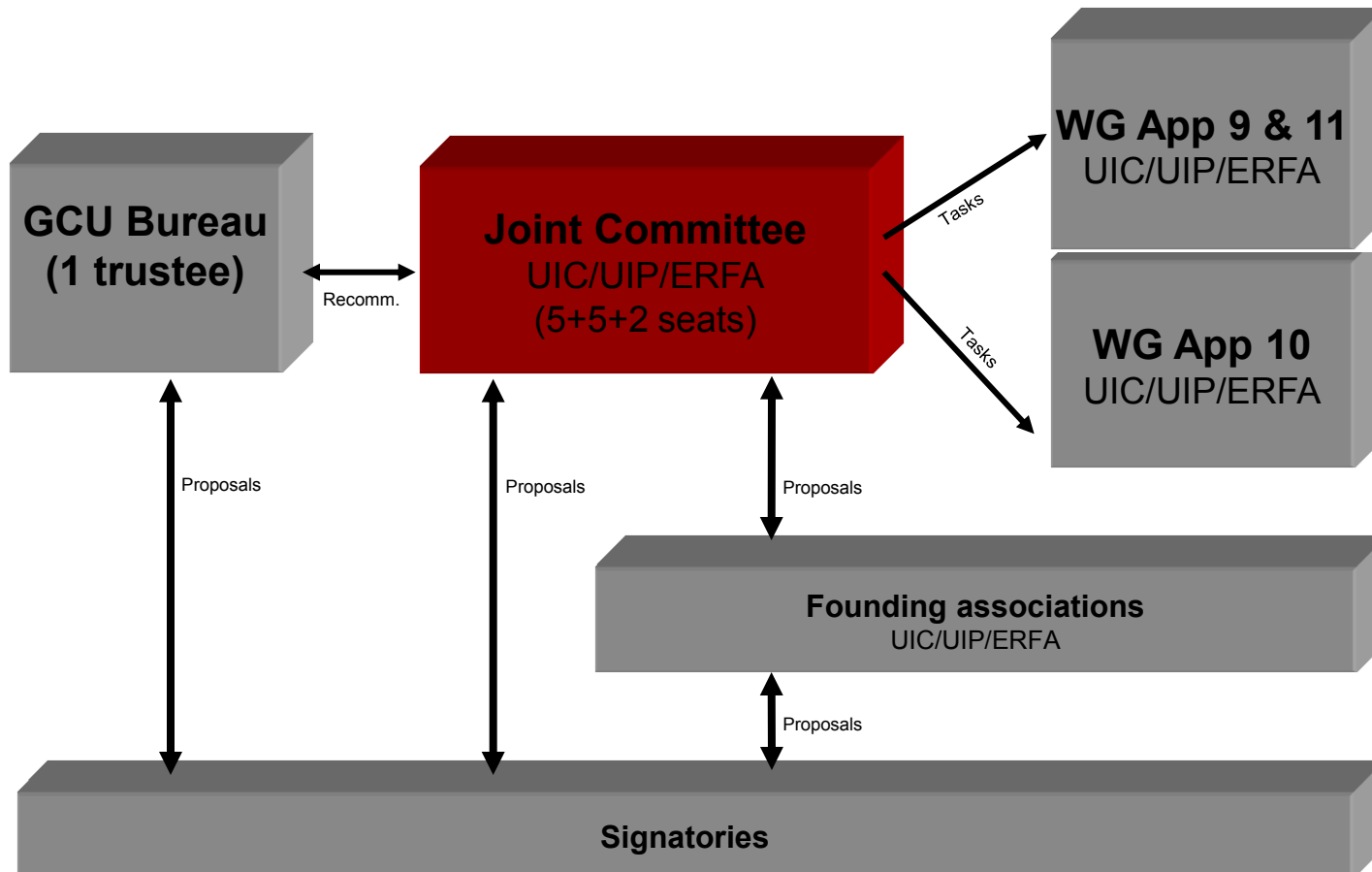
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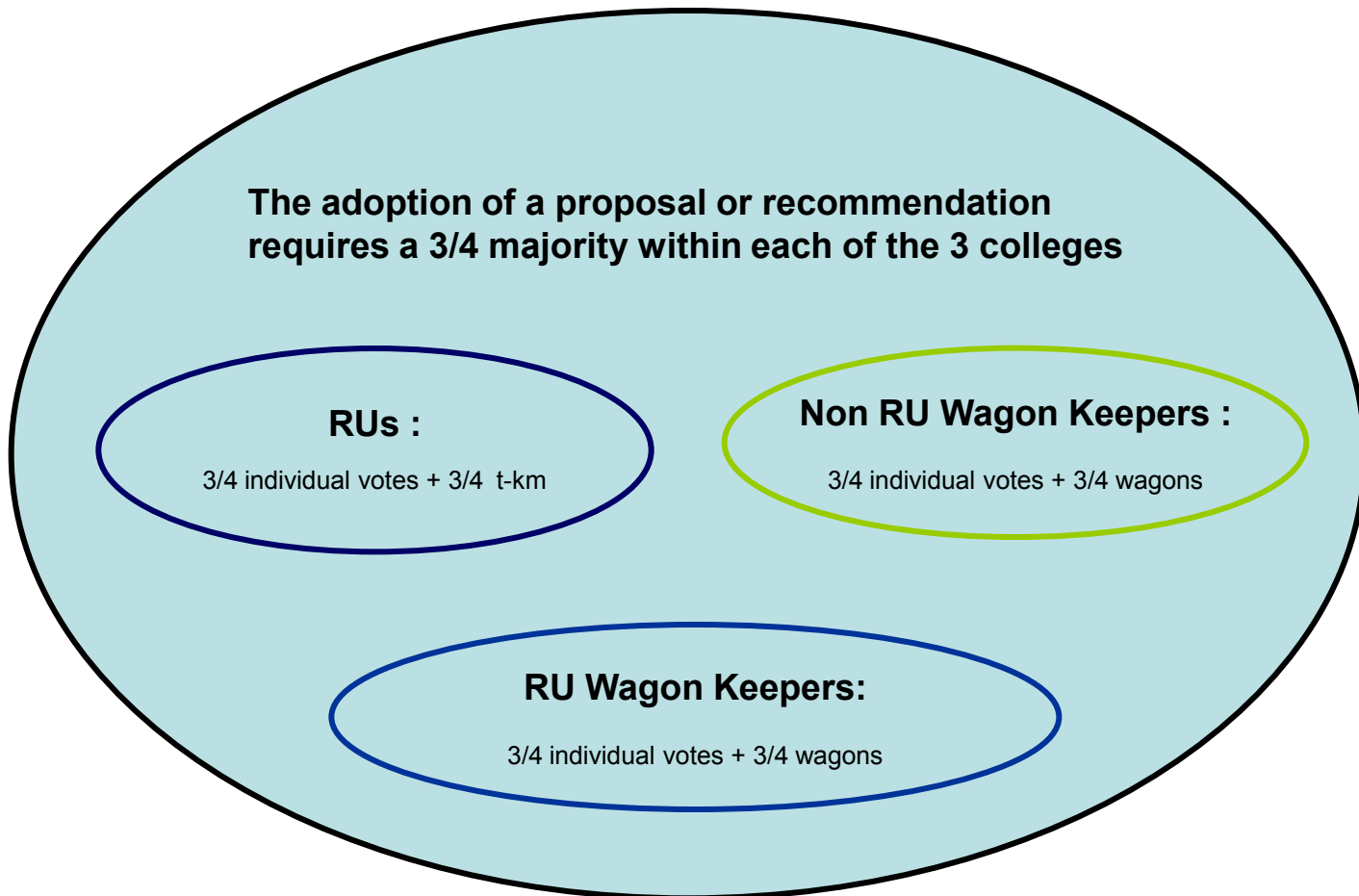
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Approval of proposed amendments and / or changes to the GCU



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**Chapters  
of the  
GCU**

**Chap I: Object, scope, termination & development of the contract**

**Chap II: Obligations and rights of the WKs**

**Chap III: Obligations and rights of the RUs**

**Chap IV: Ascertainment and handling of damage to wagons in the custody of an RU**

**Chap V: Liability in the event of loss or damage to a wagon**

**Chap VI: Liability in the event of damage caused by a wagon**

**Chap VII: Liability for staff and other persons**

**Chap VIII: Other provisions**

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## **Appendices to the GCU:**

**Annex 1: List of signatory keepers and RUs**

**Annex 2: Definitions**

**Annex 3: Wagon note**

**Annex 4: Wagon damage report**

**Annex 5: Method for calculating the residual value of a wagon**

**Annex 6: Compensation for loss of use**

**Annex 7: Spare parts**

**Annex 8: Internal Regulation (...)**

## **Technical Appendices to the GCU:**

**Appendix 9: Conditions for the technical transfer inspection of wagons**

**Appendix 10: Corrective and preventive maintenance**

**Appendix 11: Inscriptions and signs on wagons**

**Appendix 12: Catalogue of damage to wagons**

**Appendix 13: List of repairs which may be carried out by the RU on the place of immobilization of the wagon or in the nearby vicinity.**

**Appendix 14: Additional conditions for the use of wagons on ferries and in exchange with railways operating on standard or broad gauge lines**

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## **GCU: Relationship RU – KEEPER - ECM**

### **Railway Undertaking**

- Check the safety of the wagons prior operating (tasks pertaining to the responsibility ensuing from the safety certificate of the RU);
- Carry out the railway operations (marshalling, assembling of the train, processing and transmission of the relevant documentation, traction, handing over of the wagons to other users;
- Responsibility for the possible damages inflicted to the wagons and the goods transported, under the conditions of CIM, CUV and GCU;
- Provide the keeper with all the information that is necessary for the operation and maintenance of his wagons

### **Wagen keeper**

- Ensure technical admittance of the wagons
- Furnish proof to RU, that maintenance is compliant with legislation in force
- Allow the RU to conduct any necessary inspection on the wagon

### **Entity in charge of maintenance (ECM)**

- Without prejudice to the responsibility of the railway undertakings and infrastructure managers for the safe operation of a train, the ECM shall ensure
  - ✓ that the vehicles for which it is in charge of maintenance are in a safe state of running by means of a system of maintenance.
  - ✓ that vehicles are maintained in accordance with:
    - (a) the maintenance file of each vehicle;
    - (b) the requirements in force including maintenance rules and TSI provisions.

