Students' Society of McGill University Association étudiante de l'Université McGill

Office of the Speakers Bureau de Présidents du Conseil

Motion Regarding Amendment to SSMU By-Law 13.6.1

Whereas, By-law 13.6.1 states that in order to be approved by the Interest Group Committee of Council, "At least twenty-five (25) members of the Students' Society are active members of the Club,"

Whereas, the Interest Group Committee is mandated to "present recommendations to improve policies and processes on behalf of SSMU interest groups" and determine if clubs are fulfilling their mandate, contributing to SSMU as a whole, etc. when being reviewed for full status,

Whereas, Interest Group Committee recognizes the proof of 25 members for full status approval to be arbitrary,

Whereas, there is no way to guarantee that the 25 people listed are active members of the club,

Whereas, the definition of "active member" for each student club varies between groups,

Whereas, SSMU does not have an existing policy on what defines a person as a member of a club,

Whereas, many student clubs are fully capable of fulfilling their mandate without 25 members,

Whereas, student clubs are still required to show that they fulfill their mandate and engage non-executive members,

Resolved, that SSMU change By-law III-13.6.1 to read:

The Club demonstrates evidence of an active member base among members of SSMU beyond the executive at the discretion of the Interest Group Committee.

Moved by:

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