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## Notice of Motion Regarding By-Law on Provincial Representation

Notice given: March 28, 2013

Whereas, the March 14, 2013 SSMU Legislative Council included the appointment of two "SSMU TaCEQ delegates" to attend TaCEQ meetings for the rest of the 2012-13 academic year in conjunction with the Vice-President (External Affairs) and help promote TaCEQ meetings among SSMU members,

Whereas, further clarity is required regarding the duties and reporting structure of TaCEQ delegates,

Whereas, no mention of TaCEQ is to be found in the SSMU bylaws as they currently exist, despite the role it plays as a mechanism for representation of SSMU members on the provincial level,

Resolved, that the following Articles be added to the SSMU Bylaw Book I.

Resolved, that the current By-law I-8 and onward be renumbered accordingly.

Moved by:

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#### By-law I-8 Provincial Representation

Part I: General

Article 1 – Purpose

1. The purpose of TaCEQ, TaCEQ Delegates and the External Affairs Committee is to ensure that the interests of SSMU members are communicated and represented at the provincial level.

Part II: TaCEQ

Article 2 – Definition and Language

- 2.1 TaCEQ (Table de Concertation Étudiante du Quebec) is the Quebec-wide student association of which SSMU is a member.
  - 2.1.1 The English translation of TaCEQ is Quebec Student Roundtable, or QSR.
  - 2.1.2 The acronyms TaCEQ and QSR can be used interchangeably.

Article 3 – TaCEQ membership fees

- 3.1 TaCEQ does not charge a per student fee for membership.
  - 3.1.1 SSMU contributes financially to TaCEQ based on TaCEQ's adopted budget and SSMU's proportion of TaCEQ's total student members.

Article 4 – SSMU Representation to TaCEQ

4.1 Delegations to TaCEQ General Assemblies are determined based on number of members per association as follows:



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- 4.1.1 One (1) delegate for the first 1999 members
- 4.1.2 One (1) additional delegate for between 2000 and 9999 members
- 4.1.2 One (1) additional delegate for between 10 000 and 19 999 members
- 4.1.3 One (1) additional delegate for between 20 000 and 29 999 members
- 4.1.4 One (1) additional delegate for more than 30 000 members
- 4.2 Votes to TaCEQ Table of Associations are determined based on number of members per association as follows:
  - 4.2.1 One (1) vote for the first 1999 members
  - 4.2.2 One (1) additional vote for between 2000 and 9999 members
  - 4.2.2 One (1) additional vote for between 10 000 and 19 999 members
  - 4.2.3 One (1) additional vote for between 20 000 and 29 999 members
  - 4.2.4 One (1) additional vote for more than 30 000 members

### Article 5 – Abstention from Political and Financial Support

- 5.1 Every TaCEQ member association which does not share the opinion of the majority of votes at the Table of Associations reserves its right to dissent.
  - 5.1.1. A dissident association will not be expected to contribute financially to the support of the position which it does not agree with.

Part III: SSMU TaCEQ Delegates

Article 5 – Definition

5.1 SSMU TaCEQ Delegates are members of the Society elected to, under the Vice-President (External), represent SSMU's interest at TaCEQ Table of Association meetings and General Assemblies as well as assist in promoting TaCEQ to SSMU members.

Article 6 – Duties of SSMU TaCEQ Delegates

- 6.1 The duties of SSMU TaCEQ Delegates shall be to:
- 6.1.1 Attend TaCEQ Table of Association meetings and General Assemblies with the SSMU Vice-President (External Affairs)
  - 6.1.2 Attend External Affairs Committee meetings
  - 6.1.3 Inform members of SSMU on projects and issues being pursued by TaCEQ
- 6.1.4 Gather the opinions of members of the SSMU in relation to issues being pursued by TaCEQ
- 6.1.5 Represent the needs and opinions of SSMU members to TaCEQ Table of Association meetings and General Assemblies
- 6.1.6 Assist in carrying out projects which TaCEQ is pursuing. This includes but is not limited to: conducting research into issues related to post-secondary education in Quebec, writing content for the TaCEQ newsletter, TaCEQ bylaw review, contributing to TaCEQ policy, promotion of TaCEQ elections, ensuring translation of documents related to TaCEQ
  - 6.1.7 Report to SSMU Legislative Council at least once per semester."