



**Motion Regarding Adoption of a Funding Regulations By-Law**

*Whereas*, the Preamble to the Constitution of the Students' Society of McGill University, Section I, states:

The Students' Society shall serve as an umbrella organization to coordinate and support the student groups that make up civic life in the McGill community, while providing services to strengthen the educational, cultural, environmental, political and social conditions of our membership.

*Whereas*, the activities of the Funding Committee are regulated by bylaw II-2 article 4.6 and bylaw II-8, as well as the relevant Committee Terms of Reference, which offer no indication of a *modus operandi* or requirements for applications apart from those most basic and necessary to the functioning of the Society,

*Whereas*, the absence of practical guidelines for the activities of the Funding Committee have led to several Councilors referring to it as “the most challenging Committee in all of SSMU” and “the wild wild west,”

*Whereas*, it is in the best interest of all students and Councilors that funding for student groups be as transparent, fair and consistent as possible,

*Whereas*, the Funding Committee for the 2012-2013 academic year invested considerable time and effort into going beyond the review of applications in order to establish a working procedure for evaluating applications, enshrined in the Policy Book,

*Be it resolved*, that Council adopt the appended *Funding Policy Book* as a policy of the Society, to be of force and effect for a period of five (5) years as per the Society's bylaws, and subject to periodic review and renewal as may be necessary from time to time.

Moved by:

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