



Motion regarding a SSMU Daycare Fee Increase Referendum Question

Whereas, the SSMU Daycare was created in 1999 in order to support student parents at McGill University,

Whereas, the SSMU Daycare gives priority to undergraduate student parents, but also serves other members of the McGill community, such as members of the Post Graduate Students Society, as well as staff and faculty of McGill University,

Whereas, a 2006 referendum question approved an increase of the SSMU Daycare Fee to 1.50\$ per student per semester in order to help fund it,

Whereas, the SSMU Daycare is also partially funded by the government and is therefore only 7\$ a day for parents,

Whereas, other daycares are significantly more expensive, making the SSMU Daycare very accessible to parents studying at McGill University,

Whereas, the SSMU Daycare Fee has not been adjusted to reflect the appreciation of costs related to running the Daycare since the Fall 2006 Referendum Period,

Whereas, the SSMU Daycare also has a Nursery that was opened in 2009 for babies aged 4-18 months,

Whereas, the SSMU Daycare Fee was not adjusted in 2009 to accommodate the increased costs of running the Nursery,

Whereas, the SSMU Daycare signed a lease with McGill University in 2009 and has since then been paying an increasing rent for the spaces occupied by both the SSMU Daycare and the SSMU Nursery,

Whereas, the SSMU Daycare Fee was not adjusted in 2009 to accommodate the yearly increase in rent,

Resolved, that the SSMU Legislative Council approve the following question for the Fall 2013 Referendum Period:



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

Office of the Speaker
Bureau de Président du Conseil

“Do you agree to increase the SSMU Daycare Fee from 1.50\$ to 2.50\$ per semester, as of the Winter 2014 term, and that the fee be adjusted to inflation, as indexed by the Bank of Canada CPI (Consumer Price Index), with the understanding that a majority “no” vote would result in the SSMU Daycare being unable to operate at its current capacity?”

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