

Students' Society of McGill University Submitted for: December 4, 2014 Association étudiante de l'Université McGill Approved on: December 4, 2014

Office of the Speaker Bureau de Président du Conseil

Report of the Steering Committee of Council

Convened on December 1, 2014

Present: Courtney Ayukawa, Stefan Fong, Joshua Chin, Kathleen Bradley, Claire

Stewart-Kanigan, Rachel Simmons and Eileen Siow **Regrets:** Amina Moustagim-Barrette, Omar El-Sharawy

Guest Speakers

§ Mr. Alan Desnoyers, President of the McGill Alumni Association

New Business

No concerns unless otherwise noted

- Notice of Motion Regarding Updating Funding Committee By-Laws to Clarify Advance Funding Applications
 - Too many whereas clauses- either consolidate some or get rid of some to max. 1 page; take out those that are unnecessary for council to make an informed decision (ex. 2, 4, 6, 8, 10)
 - Replace 4.1 with some combination of 4.1 and 4.11
 - Replace 4.2 "All funding applications submitted a semester in advance must include justification for reason for doing so"
 - Changing 4.3 to the beginning of the semester, not the fiscal year
 - o 4.4 seems unclear, consider rephrasing?
- o Motion to Actively Inform Constituents of SSMU Legislative Council
 - o 1st clause is an opinion, 2nd is editorial from Tribune
 - o BIRT 1 should be a whereas clause
 - BIRT 2 specify to say which faculty will promote vs. which constituents are welcome
- Motion Regarding Granting Independent Student Group Status to Education Community Learning Environment Inc.
 - Include appendix
- Motion Regarding Accessibility to Education
 - This motion should just go into the GA
 - o Italics in the 5th whereas clause?
 - o 1st BIRT: Reaffirming mandate on accessibility is a GA topic
 - If you get rid of 1st BIRT and narrow 2nd BIRT to "BIRT SSMU opposes increases in French tuition" and add something about specific action to take in order to do this

Reports

- § Executives will be giving oral updates/reports at the Council meeting
- § The following committees will be submitting reports at the Council Session:



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- Accountability
- o Ad-Hoc By-Law Review
- Ad-Hoc Sustainability
- o Athletics Roundtable
- o Building
- o Equity
- External Affairs
- Interest Group
- Operations Management
- Service Review
- o Students' Society Networking Program
- Executive
- § Councillors Houston, Sachal and Shah were chosen to give oral councillor reports.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Siow Parliamentarian