

## MOTION REGARDING ELECTING STUDENT SENATORS FROM THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

*Whereas*, there are 741 students enrolled in the undergraduate medical program (MDCM) and 730 students enrolled in an undergraduate nursing program (BSc(N) or BNI) at McGill University, as of October 27, 2015;<sup>1</sup>

*Whereas*, the positions of Student Senators representing the Faculty of Medicine ("Medicine Senator") and the School of Nursing ("Nursing Senator") have remained uncontested or vacant over recent years;

*Whereas*, elections for the Medicine Senator and the Nursing Senator currently takes place under the auspices of the Society, via Elections SSMU;

*Whereas*, the Medical Students' Society (MSS) and the Nursing Undergraduate Society (NUS) independently organizes and coordinates the election of their Council, under the supervision of a Chief Returning Officer (CRO)<sup>2</sup> or a Chief Electoral Officer (CEO)<sup>3</sup>, respectively;

*Whereas*, concurrently holding the election of Student Senators alongside the election of faculty-level association council members may increase the number of interested candidates and voter turnout to the Senator position;

*Whereas*, Article 8.1(a) of the SSMU Internal Regulations of Representation and Advocacy allows for the election of Student Senators under the auspices of their respective faculty associations;<sup>4</sup>

**Be it resolved that** elections for the Medicine Senator and Nursing Senator positions take place under the auspices of the MSS and NUS, respectively, during the Winter 2017 term for the 2017-2018 academic year, in accordance with Article 8.1(a) of the SSMU Internal Regulations of Representation and Advocacy.

## Moved by:

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<sup>1</sup> McGill University Enrolment Report, Fall 2015. <u>https://www.mcgill.ca/es/files/es/fall\_2015\_-</u> \_total\_ft\_and\_pt\_enrolments\_by\_faculty\_by\_degree\_and\_by\_gender.pdf

<sup>2</sup> Constitution of the Medical Students' Society (MSS) of McGill University (2015-08-15 amended version). <u>http://mcgillmed.com/sites/default/files/Constitution%20-%20MSS%20-%20August%202015.pdf</u>

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<sup>3</sup> McGill Nursing Undergraduate Society (NUS) Constitution. <u>http://media.wix.com/ugd/0a9b8d\_1a5deaa07be3459d89e63fe58462f524.pdf</u>

<sup>4</sup> SSMU Internal Regulations of Representation and Advocacy (2016-04-07 amended version). <u>http://ssmu.mcgill.ca/wp-content/uploads/2008/10/Internal-Regulations-of-Representation-and-Advocacy-2016-04-071.pdf</u>

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