



MOTION REGARDING CREATION OF A MUSICIANS COLLECTIVE FEE REFERENDUM QUESTION

Whereas, the Musicians Collective (MC) is a volunteer-run organization that provides a public “jam space” within the SSMU building for all registered McGill students to book free of charge¹;

Whereas, the MC also provides a network of musicians to facilitate music making at all levels, and coordinates and promotes performance opportunities for bands and ensembles¹;

Whereas, the MC has been subsidized from the SSMU general operating budget² since its designation as a service since 2012³;

Whereas, a direct subsidy out of SSMU operating budget is an unsustainable source of funding in light of recent budgetary restrictions and reductions in capacity of the SSMU accounting department;

Be It Resolved That, the SSMU Legislative Council approve the following question for the Fall 2016 referendum period: ↴

“Do you agree to the creation of an opt-outable Musicians Collective Fee of \$0.10 per student per semester, payable by all undergraduate students who are members of the Students’ Society of McGill University (SSMU), starting Winter 2017 and ending in Fall 2021 (inclusive) at which point it will be brought back to the membership for renewal?”

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¹ <http://ssmu.mcgill.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/Constitution-Musicians-Collective-2015-04-09.pdf>

² <http://ssmu.mcgill.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Global-Budget-2016-2017.pdf#page=14>

³ <http://ssmu.mcgill.ca/wp-content/uploads/2008/10/02.09.12-Motion-Re-SSMU-Musicians-Collective-Becoming-a-SSMU-Service.pdf>