



Motion Regarding the Calling of a By-Election for the VP External Position

Whereas, no candidates ran for the position of VP External during the Winter 2015 Elections;

Whereas, regarding vacancies, the Elections and Referenda By-Law states that if “a position is vacant after the extended Nomination Period or as a result of withdrawals ... Council may call a by-election”¹;

Whereas, by-elections fall under the purview of Elections SSMU and must adhere to the electoral by-laws²;

Whereas, the Elections and Referenda By-Law requires that the CEO “submit the electoral dates for Elections and Referenda ... for approval by Council”³;

Whereas, electoral periods consisting of nominations shorter than ten days require a two-thirds approval of Council⁴;

Be it resolved, that the SSMU call a by-election for the SSMU VP External position;

Be it further resolved, that the election shall follow the following timeline:

VP External By-Election Timeline

Nomination: Wednesday, March 18th – March 20th 5:00pm

Extended Nomination (if one or less candidates): March 20th – March 23rd 9:00am

Mandatory Candidates Meeting: Monday, March 23th 9:00am

Campaign Period: March 23rd 9:00am – March 28th 3:00pm

Debates/Meet & Greet: March 30th

Polling Period: April 1st 9:00am – April 3rd 3:00pm

Announcement of results: April 3rd at 5:00pm via e-mail.

Be it further resolved, that this decision be applied retroactively as of 17 March 2015.

Moved by:
Zacheriah Houston, Science Rep
Courtney Ayukawa, President

¹ By-Law I-1 Article 6.9

² By-Law I-1 Article 3.4.4

³ By Law I-1 Article 5.1

⁴ By-Law I-1 Article 5.4



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