



**Motion Regarding First Year Council Restructuring**

WHEREAS, First Year Council is a SSMU Service composed of elected first year students tasked with the provision of resources and support to other first year students at McGill University;

WHEREAS, SSMU Services are structured to facilitate their operations and programming running autonomously from the SSMU;

WHEREAS, the SSMU Services structure is not able to provide sufficient support for First Year Council, which is detrimental to the ability of First Year Council to effectively support first year students;

WHEREAS, First Year Council should continue to exist as an elected and representative body outside of the structure for SSMU Services to facilitate leadership opportunities for first year students;

WHEREAS, First Year Council would benefit from integration into the Internal Affairs portfolio, which would provide members of First Year Council with support in logistical and event planning and service provision;

WHEREAS, the integration of First Year Council and first year affairs into the Internal Affairs portfolio would ensure that first year students have a stronger voice in the planning of Orientation Week and general programming at the SSMU;

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Service Status of First Year Council be revoked and the Internal Regulations of the Clubs and Services Portfolio be amended to reflect this change;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT the First Year Council be institutionalized as a body of the Society and that the Internal Regulations of the Presidential Portfolio be amended to include the clause outlined in Appendix A as IR-04 and all other clauses be renumbered accordingly;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT the First Year Council be supported within the Internal Affairs Portfolio and that the Policy Regarding Executive Officers' Contracts and Job Descriptions be amended in accordance with Appendix B to reflect these changes.

Moved by:

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