

Students' Society of McGill University Association étudiante de l'Université McGill

Office of the Speakers Bureau de Présidents du Conseil

Motion Regarding CKUT and QPIRG Referendum Questions

Whereas, the SSMU's Constitution mandates the SSMU to "support the student groups that make up civic life in the McGill community, while providing services to strengthen the educational, cultural, environmental, political and social conditions of our membership";

Whereas, QPIRG McGill and Radio CKUT are significant student-initiated, student-run, studentsupported and student-controlled organizations existing on McGill's downtown campus since 1989 and 1988 respectively;

Whereas, the SSMU's Constitution mandates the SSMU to commit "itself to groups, programs and activities that are devoted to the well-being of a group disadvantaged because of irrelevant personal characteristics";

Whereas, the SSMU's Constitution mandates the SSMU to "demonstrating leadership in matters of human rights, social justice and environmental protection";

Whereas, QPIRG and CKUT engage with the McGill students and the Montreal community so as to promote these aforementioned ends;

Whereas, a November 13, 2007 General Assembly motion mandated the SSMU to "take every reasonable action to reclaim and protect the sovereignty and independence of all campus student groups and activities" and to "take every reasonable action to put an end to the online opt-out system recently created by the University such that campus groups shall be in charge of their own opt-out processes";

Whereas, it is an official policy of the SSMU to primarily support clubs and services, and more broadly student life on campus;

Resolved, that the SSMU endorse a "yes" vote to CKUT and QPIRG's referendum questions in the Fall 2011 Referendum period.

Moved by:

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