Legislative Council – November 16th, 2017

Motion to Call a Special Referendum Period

Whereas, three amendments proposals concerning the Constitution or Internal Regulations have been submitted in the Autumn 2017 semester;

Whereas, this is an unprecedented situation;

Whereas, these students followed all the Internal Regulations for submissions of Referendum questions, but were told their questions could not be put to referendum this semester due to time constraints;

Whereas, it is unfair and contrary to democratic principles that members suffer prejudice due to errors and omissions of the SSMU’s internal governance;

Whereas, the General Manager, Chief Electoral Officer, and the Deputy Electoral Officer have deemed a calling of a Special Referendum Period appropriate in this situation;

Whereas, a Special Referendum Period would remedy the prejudice suffered by the proponents of the Referendum questions and members in general;

Be it Resolved, That the SSMU call for a Special Referendum Period, consisting of the following:

Nominating Period : Nov. 13th-17th

Campaigning Period : Nov. 20th - Nov. 30th

Polling Period : Nov. 30th - Dec. 2nd

Be it Further Resolved, that this Special Referendum Period be called pending the approval of the Referendum Question Motion by both the Board of Directors and the SSMU Legal team.

Moved by:
Connor Spencer, Vice-President (External Affairs)
Thomas Demoulin, IRC Representative
Matthew Savage, Social Work Representative