



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

Office of the Speakers
Bureau de Présidents du Conseil

Motion Regarding Support of Workers' Struggles

Whereas, the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) has a policy of "Solidary with Workers' Struggles" (reference: page 28 of the SSMU Policy Manual);

Whereas, this policy will expire on October 5, 2011;

Whereas, in the past five years many unions have been created on campus, leading to the creating the Inter-Union Council with SSMU's involvement;

Whereas, many of the SSMU's members are union members on campus;

Whereas, the SSMU is a part of the broader McGill and Montreal community;

Whereas, the well-being of students depend on workers both on and off-campus;

Whereas, in its constitution, the SSMU commits itself to demonstrating leadership in matters of human rights and social justice and is mindful of the effects that corporations, businesses, and organizations have on their social, political, and economic surroundings;

Resolved, that the SSMU actively engage, support, and work in coordination with all campus unions and the Inter-Union Council.

Resolved, that in periods when a campus union has gone on strike, the SSMU will actively do the following:

- Collect information and solicit various perspectives on the issues,
- Disseminate information to the student body,
- Support the workers in their strike by whatever means at its disposal, including but not limited to:
 - Participating in the picket line,
 - Issuing a statement in support of the strikers,
 - Petitioning the University,
 - Organizing rallies in solidarity.

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