



Motion Regarding People, Processes and Partnerships Plan

Whereas last spring, Dean of Arts Christopher Manfredi announced the [People, Processes & Partnerships](#) plan to amalgamate academic support staff in Leacock;

Whereas there is a worrying lack of evidence presented to stakeholders to suggest the viability of this plan, whether in terms of documented cost-savings, demonstrable efficiencies, or student, staff, and faculty satisfaction with such arrangements at universities comparable to McGill;

Whereas at a town hall meeting on the subject in March faculty, students and staff expressed strong opposition to this plan;

Whereas a [petition](#) initiated by the departments of Anthropology and History & Classical Studies raised over 200 signatures protesting the proposed restructuring;

Whereas the Faculty of Arts Council (professors) meeting in April passed a motion against the clustering of support staff and their removal from departments;

Whereas in spite of this negative feedback, the Leacock consolidation is moving ahead and other restructuring efforts are planned in Ferrier for May 2014 and in total the departments of Economics, Political Science, Philosophy, Anthropology, Sociology, History and Classical Studies, Jewish Studies, Art History and Communication Studies, Département de langue et littérature françaises, English, French Language Centre, Languages, Literatures, and Cultures, East Asian Studies, Islamic Studies, and Social Work all stand to be affected by such measures.

Whereas the precedent set here, moreover, may soon spread across faculties and effect all of McGill;



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Be It Resolved that the SSMU officially oppose the PPP in its current form

Be It Resolved that the SSMU send a letter of concern about the restructuring to the Dean of Arts.

Moved by:

Samuel Harris (Vice-President, External)

Joey Shea (Vice President, University Affairs)

Claire Stewart-Kanigan (Senate Representative)

Zachary Rosentzveig (Clubs Representative)

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